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WOMAN'S PAGE.

EASTER EGGS.

You can find now in WHITEWAY, LAIDLAW a very big selection of cardboard Easter eggs in all sizes, and very attractive colouring. Many people prefer to get a cardboard egg and fill it with sweets of their own choosing or put some other little gift as handkerchiefs, stockings or scent inside. Certainly when the egg is intended for a child it is wisest to buy the sweets separately for then you can assure yourself that they are fresh and of a sort suitable for children. The egg often becomes a treasure box for the small person to whom it is given, and the pleasure it gives will last long after the contents have been eaten.



This dress proves that two fabric ideas are by no means demodé. It is carried out in navy blue crepe de chine and printed crepe in tones of blue, grey and burnt orange.

FOR THE BUSY HOURS.

FROCKS OF WASHING SILK.

For the busy hours, whether the business be work, shopping, sport or just gossip, there is nothing more appropriate during the first warm days than a semi-tailored dress of washing silk.

Those which Pamela is now showing are particularly attractive as by means of beautiful fabric and clever cut they have a chic which is not always found even in far more pretentious garments.

First a pink frock. This is made with a pleated skirt and a simple sleeveless bodice worn with a kerchief at the neck. The skirt and bodice are plain pink though both are hemmed with the striped material of the bodice. The bodice is striped in blue, mauve and pink but the different colours are not very prominent being blended by a pink under thread. There are two white frocks both of crepe de chine which are interesting, one with sleeves and the other without. The former has a wrap round skirt and a series of machine stitched tucks round the hips give the necessary close fit. A small turn down collar and tie of the material finish the neck. The sleeveless frock has a pleated skirt and a simple turn over collar with surplice ends.

An interesting cut distinguishes a frock of pinky beige spun silk. The bodice is scalloped at the bottom and the line runs from below the right hip to above the left. The skirt is set in wide pleats to correspond to the scallops. Two lines of decorations on the bodice follow the diagonal at the hip. There are no sleeves.

NOVEL KEY CONTAINER.

There is a novel form of key container now to be found at THE DOLLY VARDON HAT SHOP, which would be very useful to any woman who carries several keys about with her in her bag, or to her husband. It is made on similar lines to the key containers which were put on the market a short time ago and proved so popular, a leather wallet with rings so arranged that the keys are kept separate, but this container opens with a zipper fastener and you are not dependant on a press stud which may break or wear out.

A quick slide of the zipper and the keys come out, another and back they go. The zipper key container is made in either black or brown leather.

DO YOU KNOW HOW TO TRY ON A HAT?

INTERESTING NEW STRAWS, DARNED, BROCADED, AND WOVEN WITH GOLD THREAD, WASHABLE BANKOKS.

The brightest jewels are made more lovely by an exquisite setting, and there is no setting which so much enhances the beauty of a woman's face as a hat which has been designed, not as a hat alone, but as the complement of a definite type and part of an ensemble.

Therein lies the difference between the model hat or gown and that which is the result of mass production. The model is cut and designed on a living person, and in the case of millinery the mannequin is wearing a dress of the type with which the hat is intended to be worn.

It seems a great pity that more women do not realise this for if they did they would, perhaps, give to the choosing of their hats the same thought as was given to the designing.

Let me tell you a story. I was, yesterday, in the Dolly Vardon Hat Shop, and saw a lady trying on some of the exquisite large hats of crinoline straw which arrived there last week. She was wearing at the time a smart coat with a fur collar. She could not decide which of the hats she liked and, although she had obviously intended to buy a large hat, she began trying on small ones, and seemed better pleased with the result. It was suggested to her that she should take off her coat. Under it she had a quite simple little silk dress. With the coat off she returned at once to the large models, and it did not take her a minute or two to make her choice.

That is an example of what I mean, she was choosing the hat under the wrong conditions. It is not necessary, though advisable, to wear the ensemble of which the hat is to be a part, when looking for it, but it is essential to have a dress, or coat, of the same type and colour.

The Dolly Vardon Hats are designed by various artists, and thus

cover a wide range of tastes. I have never seen one there with the obvious "mass production" label which any one can read on hats which are turned out like leaves of bread.

Among those which I was looking at this week were several in American bankok, which is softer than the English make, and some in a new unvarnished bankok which can be washed. The shapes of these latter are simple but they are smart little hats and would be exactly right for sports wear.

There are some interesting new straws, one "brocade straw" which looks like close braiding in fine thread on stiffened net. The braiding follows concentric circles, triangles or squares, and the effect is particularly pretty when it is done on a coloured net, as in a model with oyster braiding over delphinium blue which has a narrow ribbon blue grosgrain round the crown.

Another model of this straw has a brim and empiement, cut in two wide scallops round the lower part of the crown, of silk canvas straw. The edges of the canvas straw are bound with navy grosgrain and there is a band of the same. The hat is ivory white.

A white angora wool edging to a black grosgrain ribbon makes the interesting trimming to a hat of black leghorn. The brim of a small hat of satin surface canvas straw, in a curious electric blue shade, is turned up sharply at one side. Very smart is a cloche shape in lemon yellow crocheted straw with a narrow band of navy ribbon, and a fascinating lace straw in pale orchid colour is woven with gold thread, for a semi-picture hat which droops sharply at both sides.

Another interesting hat is made of stiffened net darned in triangles with alternate threads of red and beige wool, and tied with a narrow scarlet ribbon.

BEAUTY.

CARE OF THE HANDS.

Keeping the hands soft and smooth is a problem that every woman has to face who has any regard for her appearance.

Even guarding the hands against exposure with gloves does not always protect them sufficiently and it is advisable to keep a bottle of lotion handy so that you may apply it regularly each time you wash your hands. The use of soap and water tends to dry the hands so that they chap and crack readily. To offset this it is essential to massage a cream or lotion into them that will soften, whiten and protect them.

There are several such lotions on the market and it should not be difficult to find a satisfactory one that also suits your pocketbook with the advice of your manicurist. A hand lotion can be easily made at home by mixing one-third glycerin to two-thirds rose water. Make a sufficient quantity so that you can bottle it and use it as often as necessary each day.

If your hands are unusually dry and sensitive to exposure, use some of your facial skin food to massage into them at night, leaving it on under a pair of loose gloves. Warm olive oil baths now and then will do much to keep the hands in good condition and prevent roughness.

Don't let the children's hands and wrists get red and raw, either. When they come home from school or in from playing and wash their hands, teach them to use the hand lotion as you do.

All this only a part, however, of the beauty culture of the hands. It is the part which you should do yourself, but if you really wish to be the possessor of lovely hands you will do little else except to push down the quicks with your towel as you dry your hands, and rub up the polish lightly with a buffer.

All the details of manicure, cutting, trimming, and polishing are much better left to the professional manicurist. An unwise cut or too deep a pressure with a tool may ruin the delicate tissues which surround the nail, and it will be a very long time before they will be once more soft and pink as they should be. The ugly hang nails and corn like skin that you see marring so many finger tips are generally caused by amateur manicuring, and are nearly always to be seen on the hands of the woman who is always "doing something" to her nails. The old fashioned woman, who has never manicured in her life, often has far more attractive hands than the modern girl, because she has not spoiled her quicks by amateur surgery.

A regular fortnightly—or even three weekly—visit to a manicurist with the simple home care suggested above, should keep your hands in perfect condition. I can highly recommend the Darelle Beauty Shoppe for a manicure, the manicurist is very patient and never saves herself time and trouble at the expense of your hands as so many do.



A stately evening gown of chartrouze green moire designed for a tall slender woman. The lace yoke with its tailored lapels would be kind to an over thin neck, while the interesting basque is very new indeed.

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WOMAN'S PAGE.

FOR SUNNY DAYS.

HATS FOR EVERYBODY FROM FELIX.

A very large number of hats has arrived this week at the Felix Hat Shop. They are mostly spring and summer shapes in straw, semi-trimmed, and suitable for wear with washing frocks, but there are a number of smarter models for afternoon wear.

Most of the summer hats have largeish brims which are really a necessity here where we get plenty of strong sunshine, and there is a big selection of white and cream hats some of them trimmed with a little colour. I noticed that a good many of the hats had the colour woven in, often round the top of the crown in which case there was generally a narrow ribbon as well.

Leghorn straw always looks nice with summer frocks, and I was pleased to see quite a number of different shapes some turned up sharply at the back and others with the new pleat to turn them up in front. One very smart model in white leghorn is bound with black and has a black ribbon. There are also a number of tailor made straws in various colours, and very attractive soft felts with straw brims for present wear.

One charming little toque is made of shaded pink velvet rose leaves and has larger leaves made of narrow braids of pink beige straw to give it a more definite form. An interesting hat is made of oyster coloured varnished straw. The brim is cut off sharply over the forehead and there is a flat feather mount in front of the crown in yellow and green. At the sides the brim, which is here fairly wide, is pleated and droops down, there is a small brim at the back. Some pretty shapes are made of soft silk canvas straw bound round the edge of the brim with printed silk.

A very smart cloche hat is made of beige corded silk in two tones, another hat of corded silk in beige is cut rather like a mandarin hat with two ears and a button on top. It is lightly braided with silk straw. A black bankok hat has a double brim, like a wrap over skirt, edged with white.

Orchid colours promise to be very fashionable in the coming season, and there are a number of hats in this tone, both soft straws and light flower trimmed felts.

JACOBAN GLASS.

Jacobean glass ware, which you can get at WHITEWAY, LAIDLAW'S, has a peculiar charm of its own. It is intended for table use and there is a piece designed for nearly every table need. The charm of Jacobean is that it is designed for a purpose, and while decorative it has not been forgotten, it is, as it should be, subordinated to purpose. Thus there are no angles or unnecessary twists about Jacobean ware to lay traps for the unwary or careless "washer-up," nothing which asks to be broken off. The slogan which the makers have adopted of "one good piece deserves another" has been taken up by every one who has bought one piece of Jacobean, they have always gone on buying more and more until they had a complete service.

A very large assortment of Jacobean glass dishes has just arrived in Whiteaway's and a good many sizes which could not be obtained before locally are now on show.

HAND-MADE WOOLIES FOR CHILDREN.

The Mother's Union Sale, which was held some weeks ago, introduced me to some most delightful clothes for small children. There were knitted things, beautifully and sensibly made, by women who are mothers themselves and knew what is really needed, and a lot of charming little cotton frocks with matching knickers.

All these garments are sold simply for the cost of the material, the time and work being given by the ladies who make them in aid of the M.U. funds. A special effort is being made just now to raise sufficient money to provide for another orphan child, and so you may do a good deed for another little one, by doing yourself a good deed in providing garments for your own little ones, at a very low price.

If you want anything made for you, or would like to help by buying anything which is already made, send a letter to the Hon. Secretary, the Mother's Union, addressed to the Cathedral Hall.

IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN.

"RAYON" SILK FROCKS.

In the Garden of Eden the first frocks were made of leaves, and probably of flowers since Eve was a woman and could not have been blind to their appropriateness as a personal adornment. Now in this age of machinery we are being offered frocks made of much the same material, I believe I am right in saying that "Rayon" French artificial silk is made of vegetable matter. It seems appropriate that the shop which has chosen Eve as its patroness should have been largely responsible for introducing "Rayon" dresses to the Colony.

But whatever the secret of the manufacture of this material, the frocks are there and very charming they are—and very inexpensive. Those of which I want to tell you this week are intended mostly for afternoon or street wear and combine a semi-tailored cut with delightful colours and designs. There is one of beige printed with red flower heads each with a centre of navy blue. This is made quite simply with a collar, vest and cuffs of plain beige and a pleated skirt. One of the favourite speckled patterns in blue and beige is made up with two rows of plain beige stitched on round the hips, and collar and cuffs of the same.

Rather more definitely for afternoon wear is a dress of pinky beige rayon of which the front panel from neck to hem is embroidered in *Richtien* work. I liked, too, a dress of plain taupe colour which was designed to look rather like a jumper and skirt ensemble. The skirt has a double tier.

Before I leave the subject of afternoon frocks *chez Eve* I must mention a couple made of *crêpe de chine*. One is sealing wax red and has a row of tiny buttons down the left side of the bodice, white georgette collar and cuffs, and a small jewelled buckle to fasten the belt in front. The other of shrimp beige has a scalloped hip line which is considered very smart just now and is seen on many model frocks both for afternoon and evening wear.

MORE HATS.

When I was in LANE, CRAWFORD'S this week I was looking particularly at their collection of hats for early spring wear. Most of them are small brimmed shapes, and are made either of fine tassel or bankok, or of one of the new fancy straws. One of the latter woven in a basket pattern is navy blue, and is made very chic by means of two bands of *grain*, one navy, and the other grey, put separately, round the crown. All these hats have a slightly tailored air, which makes them a safe choice for mid season wear, when the more decorative styles still seem a little too summary, except for special ensembles, and felt a little out of date. It is not, perhaps, a collection about which one can write much, but it is one in which you can be sure of finding a hat which will satisfy the most fastidious taste.

FOR THE CHILDREN.

There are some very attractive little cotton frocks in the Children's Department of LANE, CRAWFORD'S made in various styles of printed tobracco and gingham. Some of them have little sun bonnets to match, and all, of course, are accompanied by their matching knickers. These little dresses run from \$4.25 and at similar prices are rompers and creepers all very prettily made. It is almost impossible to have too many cotton frocks for the nursery folk during the hot weather, and these struck me as being unusually charming—and cheap.

EMBROIDERED HAORI COATS.

There are some very handsome embroidered Haori coats and Kimono in THE PRINCE SILK STORE now. They are made of black, navy or white, satin, heavily embroidered in gold and silver thread and colours, and lined with plain satin in some bright tone. PAOONA silk stockings, in the new gunmetal shade, have also arrived this week.

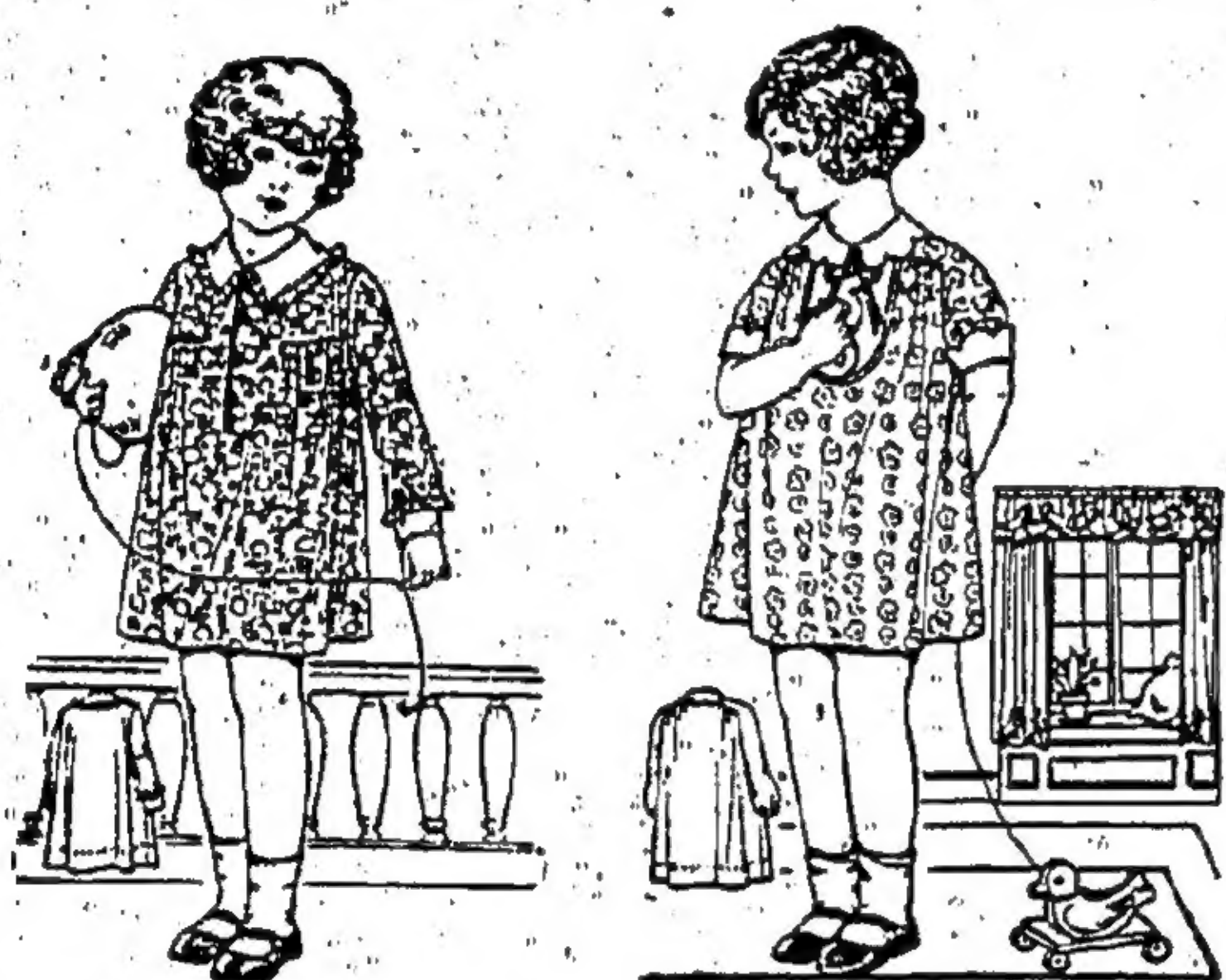
NOKABOUT BAGS.

The Nokabout bags have already made themselves a name in Hong Kong, but now a new size has appeared in THE DOLLY VARDON HAT SHOP. This is designed for a shopping bag and is large enough, without sacrificing looks to capacity for the purpose. It is made like the other Nokabout bags in black leatherette with a good lining, is in shape exactly like the new handbags which is everyone is carrying, and fastens with a zipper. The cost is \$12.

SATIN CREPE.

Among the new silks in THE PRINCE SILK STORE this week is satin crepe. This material would be nice for slips to wear under nylon frocks, or for afternoon frocks as the reverse side is like a *crêpe de chine* and could be used for strappings. Among the colours are several nice blues and a good apricot.

FOR THE BABY GIRL.



Here are a couple of pretty suggestions for the baby girl. Both are intended for printed batiste with white collars and cuffs. They neither of them take much material and might be contrived from a remnant with little knickers to match made of the dominant colour.

"TWO RED ROSES ACROSS THE MOON."

FROCKS OF FLOWERED NINON FROM PAMELA.

Fabrics have been brought to such perfection of colour and substance, that dress designs are encouraged to bring the picturesque note back again into dress. The frocks of flowered ninon, which are now being introduced for summer wear, remind you of the exquisite patterned verses of William Morris, of his ladies.

"Jehane, Ellayne and Isabeau," who wandered singing through the decorative castles of his imagination.

Burne Jones painted them as his friend described them and the pictured frocks they wore are very like indeed to those which are being put before us for our own use this summer. The soft materials sprigged with floral patterns, colours sometimes deeply glowing, sometimes a delicate harmony of pastel tints, the line outlining the form and yet softly fluttering, are the same. But since we live not in an age of romance but of materialism there is just a suggestion of the tailor made about even the most decorative dress, which hints that the wearer is a modern woman capable of running a home or a business.

Many of the frocks of flowered ninon now being shown by Pamela, fit snugly round the natural waist, if they do not the waist is marked by a narrow belt to tone or contrast strikingly with the ensemble. Subtly

placed darts allow for a close fitting bodice and a hip yoke or tightly swathed sash outlines the hips. Below cunningly shaped panels give length and slenderness, and a delightful "movement" when the wearer walks or dances.

Very striking is a dress in tones of lemon yellow and burnt orange. The ninon is printed in a pattern of fairly large leaves and worn over a slip of lemon georgette. The waist is marked by a double sash of lemon and burnt orange and there is a shoulder bow of the same two colours. The skirt opens in front to show a panel of the plain lemon under dress.

The bodice of a dress of black ninon, patterned with a small white and beige flower, has a short cape slung in true medieval fashion over one shoulder and covering half the bodice both back and front. The skirt is made very full and has a circular wrap over back and front, the hip line being tightened by tucking of the skirt.

An interesting development of this same tucking or pleating is to be seen on a pastel tinted dress of pink and blue floral ninon. The dress is cut quite simply, but given interest by four lengths of material which are pleated for half their length and attached to the shoulders back and front. These cross fairly low on the bodice, being stitched down to the dress to either hip. From there they are allowed to open like a fan and fall down softly to give an uneven hem line.

FUJI CREPE.

Fuji crepe, which you can get at THE PRINCE SILK STORE, is the newest material for under wear, night gowns or pyjamas. It would also be very suitable for children's frocks. Like the ordinary Fuji silk it is really a mixture of silk and cotton and is, therefore, much more durable than pure silk. Fuji crepe is 15 per cent. silk and has a lovely lustre, the surface is like that of *crêpe de chine*. It is made in thirty different shades among which is a very lovely rose-pink.

CURTAIN NETS.

There are some very nice and very inexpensive curtain nets now displayed in WHITEWAY, LAIDLAW'S. Many of them cost only \$1 a yard, though from their appearance you would expect them to be considerably more. These \$1 nets are mostly white or cream with a coloured silk floral border, and I thought the colours particularly good and soft. There are also some attractive nets with an all-over silk pattern in colour on a cream or pale taupe ground.

GEORGETTE AND LACE.

TWO BLACK FROCKS FROM AU PETIT LOUVRE.

There is something about an all black frock which attracts nearly, if not quite, all women; especially if it is a good frock, because, of course, black must be good to be really smart. There are so many occasions on which a black frock can be worn and a very slight addition as a flower, a different set of jewellery, or a well placed buckle, can make an astonishing difference in its appearance. Another point, too, which appeals to many women, is that a black frock can be worn much longer than a coloured one as it is not so remarkable, and so does not get known. The third big advantage is that nothing is so slimming in effect as black.

There are a couple of very attractive black dresses now at Petit Louvre. Both are made of georgette and lace with the lace used for the bodice and the georgette for the skirt and strappings.

One has a sort of jumper effect, the arrangement round the hips being particularly interesting. A wide band of tucked georgette which runs off to a point in front is placed just above the hips on the bodice giving rather the effect of a swathed belt. The skirt is cut very full and falls in points. The other dress is interesting on account of the lace used for the bodice, which is woven in a big leaf design and is altogether of a more filmy texture than that which has been worn of late. The bodice is cut with a V neck which has a pretty strapping of the georgette. The skirt is made in a series of small frills and there is a sash tied in a bow and fastened on one hip.



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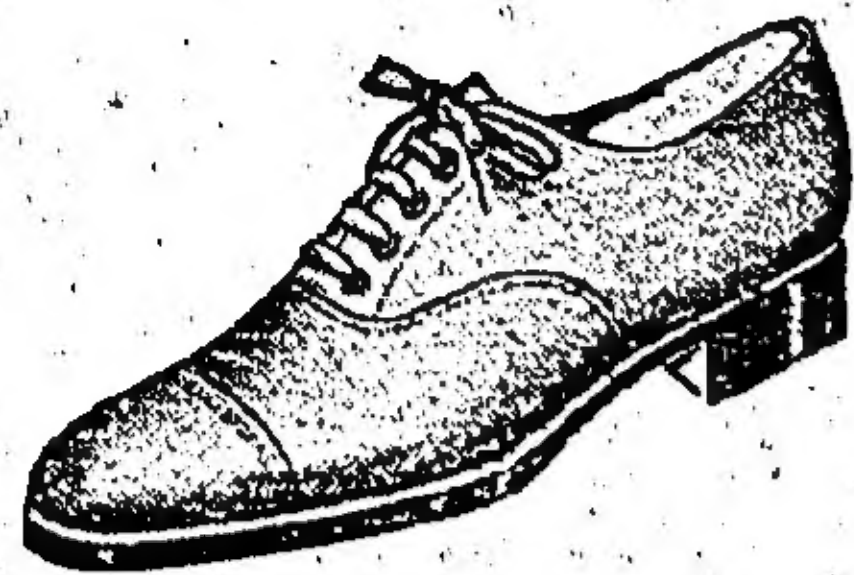
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NEW MOVE IN AIRSHIP CONSTRUCTION.

[Exclusive to the "Daily Press."]

London (U.P.).—Britain will enter the commercial war in the air this summer with heavy artillery. Two airships, the R100 and R101, are now being built with all possible speed for the British Air Ministry. They are both expected to be ready for tests this spring or summer.

While it is definitely understood that there is practically no question of either of them being used for any kind of commercial service, they are the forerunners of airships which will be used for commercial purposes. Both dirigibles will be tried out exhaustively on demonstration flights to Canada, Egypt and India—on which a certain number of paying passengers might be carried—but the main object will be to extract all possible data for future airships of much larger size.

The Two Airships.

The general opinion that the first long-distance flight of the R100 would be to the United States is by no means confirmed, the United Press learns.

The R100 is being built by the Airship Guarantee Company, Ltd., at Howden, Yorkshire, under the direction of Commander Charles Dennistoun Burney, C.M.G., the inventor of the paravane. The R101 is being built at the Royal Airship Works, Cardington, Bedfordshire. While both ships are being constructed to the same general specifications, they cannot be called "sister-ships."

Commander Burney has been given a free hand, and, it is understood, the R100 follows Zeppelin practice in being constructed of duralumin, but embodies many noteworthy improvements in design which Commander Hugo Eckener, who piloted the Graf Zeppelin on its transatlantic flights, has since decided to adopt in future Zeppelin designs.

On the other hand, the R101 is being built to the ideas of British official airship experts, who are experimenting with a scheme whereby the dirigible is built in sections on the ground which can quickly be joined together. Stainless steel is also largely employed for the first time.

Faster and Cheaper.

It is expected, if the experiments prove successful, that airships in the future will be turned out at a much greater speed and comparatively smaller cost, since the new method will enable mass production practice to be followed.

Sir Samuel Hoare, secretary for air, recently announced in the House of Commons, that both airships would be ready for tests this spring, which, while purposely vague, means that they will, at least, be completed by June.

At present, the destination of the R100 on its first long-distance flight is very much a matter of conjecture.

According to the present arrangement, the Airship Guarantee Company contracted to build the R100 for the British Air Ministry at a cost of \$1,500,000. Commander Burney, however, has the option to buy back the dirigible for half that sum, to be put to whatever purposes he pleases, which may mean a flight to the United States, or not. Should the Commander not exercise his option, the Air Ministry will most probably send the R100 to Canada.

South Africa has also been mentioned as the possible destination of the airship on the first long-distance flight. But, while in accordance with the agreement reached at the Imperial Conference in 1928, the Canadian Government has already erected a mooring mast just outside Montreal, the South African Government, the other party to the agreement, has so far only chosen the site.

"Hush-Hush" Engines.

In addition, the R100 is run on petrol, which would be a potential danger under the tropical conditions of the eastern route, when the petrol would become more volatile. On the other hand, the R101 is being fitted with semi-Diesel engines using high gas oil similar to crude oil, which, it is understood, will be more suitable for the Egypt and India routes.

From London to New York or Quebec in three days; to India in four; and Australia in eight! That is what is claimed for the R100.

The R100 will be the most up-to-date and modern dirigible ever built. It will include many improvements and suggestions emanating from the Graf Zeppelin's transatlantic flights, since the R100 is designed principally for long-distance passenger flights.

The airship is described as a rigid dirigible of 5,000,000 cubic feet displacement. It is 710 feet long and 130 feet in diameter, in other words, about as big as the liner Mauretania, and generally speaking, follows the lines of the Graf Zeppelin. Its size is the main characteristic of the R100, and special mooring masts are being constructed to hold it.

Mooring Towers.

These masts are in the shape of towers not unlike lighthouses in appearance, and about 200 feet tall. The bow of the airship can be attached to the mast in such a manner that the ship can swing freely in the wind as a maritime ship at anchor swings to the tide.

Fuel and gas are taken in through the bow of the ship from the masthead, and passengers are brought up the mast by a lift and embarked by a covered gangway leading through a door in the nose of the ship. The airship will only enter her shed for overhaul at long intervals, being normally either in flight or at the mast.

It has been argued by experts that an airship of the R100's size must necessarily be weak. It is stated, however, that the R100 can withstand conditions five times as severe as those which broke the Shenandoah, also that she is fully equal in strength against air disturbances to the standard set by the present-day passenger-carrying airplane.

The Shenandoah hit a sudden vertical current with an upward velocity of about 15 miles per hour, and broke. The R100 would be safe when running at full speed into a similar gust with an upwards velocity of 50 miles per hour.

During the last two years, while the R100 has been building, a new method of engine distribution and a fuel gas have been developed, which if applied to the R100 will allow her performance to be approximately doubled.

Six Rolls-Royce Engines.

In the meantime, R100 is fitted with six Rolls-Royce petrol engines, and in consequence can only be operated without danger in temperate climates. These engines develop 4,200 horse-power, and have a maximum speed of 80 miles per hour, with a cruising speed of 71.5 miles per hour.

The airship will carry thirty tons of petrol in tanks disposed over a great part of the length of the ship. This is sufficient fuel for 3,500 miles in still air at the cruising speed. Allowing for head winds, its safe operating range will be about 2,500 miles. In still air it will cover this distance in 38 hours. It can operate as well and with equal reliability by night or in fog as it does in normal visibility.

The five-thousand mile journey to India would be covered in two stages of 38 hours each, with an intermediary stop in Egypt for refuelling and gassing, which would occupy not more than 12 hours. The journey to India would be completed in 84 hours, or at an average speed of 80 miles per hour, 30 per cent. greater than the airplane.

The "bag" of the R100 is filled with hydrogen, since helium gas, which has a "lift" comparable with that of hydrogen and is non-inflammable, is not commercially obtainable except in the United States, where its export is prohibited.

The cost of helium is very high in comparison with hydrogen, and its "lift" is less, so that a 5,000,000 cubic foot ship inflated with helium is necessary to do the work of a 5,000,000 cubic foot ship inflated with hydrogen. For these and other reasons it is doubtful whether helium will be used in this type of ship until its size is increased to about 9,000,000 cubic feet.

What They Look Like.

The new airship is capable of carrying a hundred passengers with fifty pounds of baggage each, in addition to a crew of about fifty. It is on the basis of the lessons taught by the R100 that a new and larger type of airship will be built, capable of carrying 100 passengers.

Commencing at the bow, there are the attachment fittings for the mooring mast and an observation station with windows for the use of the crew. Passing down the ship by an enclosed corridor designed for the use of the passengers and lit electrically, one comes to the passenger coach, about 180 feet long inside the hull of the ship and consists of three floors, of which the bottom is allocated to the (Continued on next column).

**CASE OF MEDICAL JURIS-
PRUDENCE.**THEORIES ADVANCED AT
ASSIZE COURT.

Penang, March 14th.—Peculiar medical features appear to be associated with a case from the Dindings now proceeding at the Assizes.

Three Tamil estate coolies are charged with culpable homicide not amounting to murder by causing the death of a compatriot named Veerapattan at Damar Laut, Dindings on January 19th.

The Deputy Public Prosecutor in opening the case said the three accused were alleged to have attacked the deceased with sticks, and as a result of blows inflicted the deceased died a week later.

Medical evidence was given to the effect that the deceased was admitted into hospital with five wounds, the most important of which was a contused wound three inches long on the right side of the head. The patient made an excellent recovery for six days and then suddenly became unconscious and died. A post-mortem examination revealed that the brain was congested. Semi-clotted blood was under the surface of the brain on the left side and the wound was on the right side. The cause of death was compression of the brain from haemorrhage which was brought about by the blow. A blow on one side of the head causing a fracture on the other side was a common thing. In this case the bruise on the left side might have been caused by the wound on the right side. According to medical text books this is known to have happened before.

The deceased was suffering from general weakness as a result of chronic malaria. Had he been healthier a firm clot of blood would have formed instead of further bleeding.

The trial is proceeding.—*Straits Times.*

EXECUTIONER SHOT DEAD.MAN WHO ELECTROCUTED 140
MURDERERS.

New York, February 24th.—Mystery surrounds the death of Mr. John W. Hulbert, ex-State executioner, who has electrocuted 140 murderers. He was found shot dead in the cellar of his house on February 22nd. The police authorities are not certain whether it is a case of suicide or murder.

Mr. Hulbert had lived for years in mortal fear of assassination, not altogether without reason as at least on one occasion his food was poisoned and he recovered only a few minutes before an execution and when he visited Omaha to introduce the electric chair there, the enraged populace threatened to hang him and he fled from the town.

Mr. Hulbert's callousness is illustrated by his once saving half a sovereign in taxi-fares by riding in a hearse with the body of a man he had just electrocuted.

crew and the two upper ones to the passengers. This coach is surrounded entirely by a double wall, through which air is circulated to obviate the danger of any inflammable gas or vapour penetrating to the living quarters.

Cooking is carried out here in an electric kitchen. The passengers are quartered in two and four berth cabins very similar to those found on board a steamship. Windows in the sides of the ship provide the light and the view, and these are faced by promenades sufficiently spacious to accommodate dancing and other pastimes.

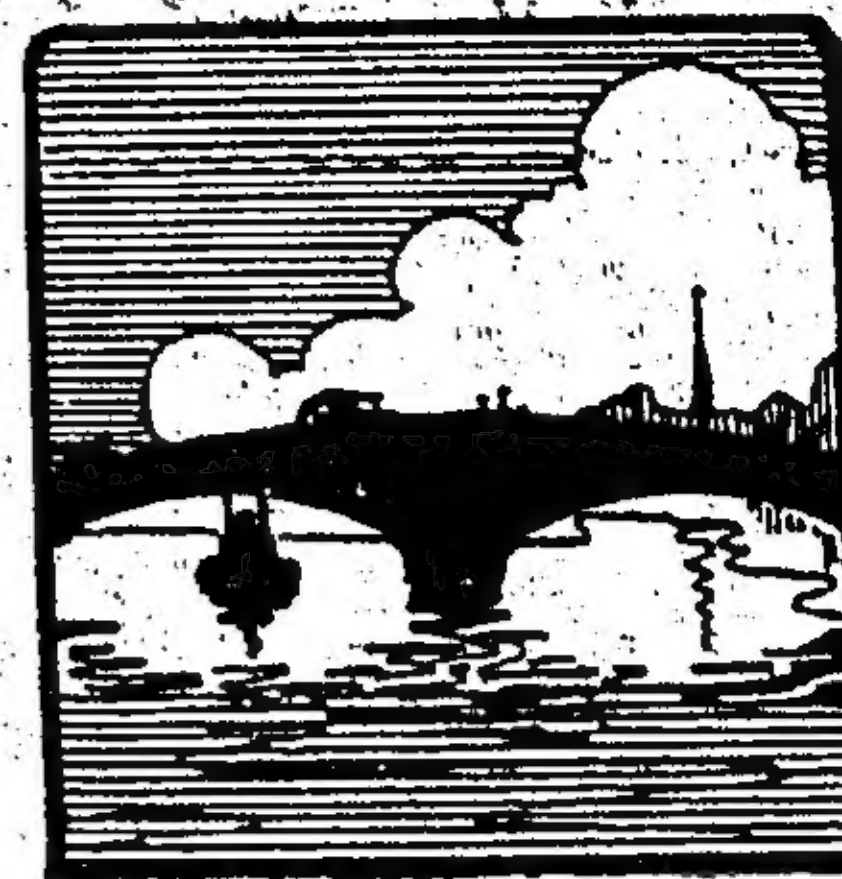
The Engine Cars.

Below the crew's quarters of the passenger coach is hung the control car, an excrescence on the hull. Aft of the passenger coach the corridor narrows, and becomes more spartan, being designed for the use of the crew only. Some 130 feet aft of the coach there are two engine cars suspended outside the hull. Each car contains two Rolls-Royce engines of 700 horse-power and one motor car engine, whose function is to drive a dynamo to provide the electric current necessary for lighting, heating, cooking, and wireless.

Ninety feet aft of these engine cars, a third car, similar to the other two, is situated. Aft again, one comes to the fins and rudders of the ship that serve the same purpose as the feathers on an arrow in ensuring stability to her flight. There the corridor ends, and ninety feet aft again the ship comes to an end in a fine run-aft.

According to the builders the accommodation made for the passengers is intermediate in comfort between a Pullman train and an ocean liner. To give some idea of the space available, they say, the sense of restriction which the passenger will experience in a ship that is carrying a full load will be similar to that experienced in one of the smaller hotels.

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**RUSSO-CHINESE
RELATIONS.**MORE CO-OPERATIVE OUT-
LOOK.

Peking (U.P.).—Closer relations between the Governments of China and Soviet Russia are predicted in the local Chinese Press in the not distant future. The Nanjing Government has just sent Kuo Chen Hsi, the local Press reports, to Soviet Russia to extend the Chinese consular service there.

While diplomatic relations between Moscow and Nanking have been broken off for more than a year, the Soviet consular representatives have remained quietly in North China and Manchuria since the Nationalist occupation.

The Soviet Embassy here has been occupied by the Soviet Consul-General and a small staff, which has not been interfered with in any way. Soviet representatives inform the United Press. Trade between the two countries is still considerable, and adequate diplomatic representation is deemed necessary.

CANTON ELECTRIC COMPANY.**FEARS BANKRUPTCY.**

PROTESTS AGAINST GOVERNMENT ACTION.

THE QUESTION OF CHARGES.

CANTON, March 14th.

The Canton Light and Power Company is complaining very bitterly against the Government's action in forcibly reducing the price of electricity from 25 cents to 20 cents a unit.

In the course of a long petition to the Municipality the Directors state that the reduction means a loss in revenue of \$800,000 per annum. It requests the authorities to rescind the order and allow the Company power to make its own charges.

It will be recalled that when the Government ordered the reduction in the price of current it reduced its own tax on the amount collected from 14 per cent. to 10 per cent., as compensation.

The Company declares that the compensation is not sufficient and that to go on working under present conditions means bankruptcy. It allows nothing for reserve or depreciation and dividend prospects have faded off the horizon. Moreover being a public utility company they cannot close down to prevent throwing good money after bad.

ELECTRICITY THIEVES.

The trouble is mainly due, states the petition, to electricity thieves. In 1924 no less than 41 per cent. of the current generated was unaccounted for, but by 1927 the figure was 68 per cent. Now the company collects about a quarter of what is due.

CHARGES ELSEWHERE.

The Company declares that even under these unfavourable circumstances their charges bear comparison with those of other towns. The charge in Hankow, Tientsin, Hangchow and Soochow is 20 cents, in Peking and Nanking 24 cents, in the Northern part of Shanghai 25 cents, in Hong Kong 16 cents, Kowloon 20 cents, Fatsan 25 cents, Macao 30 cents and in smaller places about 40 cents.

It is extremely doubtful, however, whether the Government will yield an inch.

MR. H. PERCY SMITH'S ESTATE.

BULK OF PROPERTY TO HIS SON.

Mr. Horace Percy Smith, chartered accountant, and formerly senior partner of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, Incorporated Accountants, left estate of \$31,492.87 in Hong Kong.

He died on July 12th, 1928 at No. 10, Marine Terrace, Bathurst, Merioneth, leaving his widow, Mrs. Ada Mary Smith, two sons, Captain Sir K. Percy Smith of the 10/14th Punjab Regiment, Ferozepore, India, and Mr. J. C. Percy Smith of London, and a daughter, Miss V. K. Percy Smith of London.

Three executors were appointed under a will dated June 4th, 1927, namely, the second son, Capt. H. K. Percy Smith, Mr. W. George (a solicitor of Criccieth) and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton (a solicitor in Hong Kong). Mr. George has renounced probate.

Most of the bequests are to members of the family but there is one of £100 to "my friend," Mr. Joseph Young, of "St. Joseph's" building, ground floor, "B" block.

The bulk of the estate goes to Captain Percy Smith. An extract from the will reads:—"I declare it to be my earnest wish that my said son (Capt. H. K. Percy Smith) shall keep and preserve my collection of blackwood, porcelain and other curiosities which I have collected at considerable trouble and expense, but should my said collection have to be sold, then in that event, it is my wish that the same be sold in London."

The will was witnessed by Mr. George (the executor who renounced probate) and Leung Fook, who is believed to have been Mr. H. Percy Smith's Chinese "boy" who accompanied his master home.

Probate has now been granted by the Supreme Court, Hong Kong, to Mr. Hall Brutton for the local estate. Estate in Great Britain is valued at £2,112-14-1.

FINANCIAL CRISIS OVER.

CANTON GOVERNMENT'S FIRM ACTION.

MERCHANTS' LOYALTY.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, March 14th.

The financial panic has now subsided. Bankers and merchants are again accepting both the Central Bank of China notes and the new 20 cents pieces, which have been under suspicion for some weeks past owing to appearance of counterfeit coin. Hong Kong currency can be purchased to any amount at any money-changer's counter, but the rate is higher than at any time in Canton's history, yesterday's quotation being \$1.38 to the Hong Kong dollar. Practically no one is at the Bank asking for silver in exchange for notes and Government bonds have risen sharply to about their figure before the panic.

The Wuhan settlement has had a big bearing on the recovery, but still more credit is due to the Government for their decisive action, and to the group of merchants who stood solid behind General Tang Shih Tang, the Garrison Commander and Police Commissioner.

It will be remembered that he issued a stern warning against discounting the value of the notes and then sent round a batch of detectives to see if the money-changers were obeying. Seven offenders were caught red-handed and the news of their arrest had a salutary effect. They have since been released after a suitable warning from the authorities.

Owing to Government pressure the Canton Money Guild has fallen into line and yesterday a meeting was held to discuss ways and means of helping the Government. It was presided over by a Government official and a resolution was passed that both the notes and the silver currency shall be accepted at par, and anyone either discounting them or refusing to accept them shall be punished.

A PUSSYFOOTED THIEF.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, March 14th.

What might be called a "Pussy-foot" thief has brought off a haul in a Canton Hotel at the expense of a young Chinese married couple from Hong Kong. The young people woke in the morning from undisturbed slumbers to find that every stick of their clothing, even their shoes, and everything else in the room which had belonged to them was missing.

One of the two cigarettes which the man had left on the writing table had disappeared, but the ashes and end of the other lay in a tray, showing that the thief had coolly smoked the cigarette while he was making his search.

The room was next the "boys' quarters" and one of these had been detained. It is not stated whether his feet are padded and equipped with claws!

ELEPHANTS RAID COOLIE CAMP.

TERRIFYING EXPERIENCE IN NEIGRI SEMBILAN.

A mandor and eight coolies of the Topographical Survey Department had a most unusual and terrifying experience, writes a Kuala Pilah correspondent of the Malay Mail.

They were surveying to the west of the Railway line between Ayer Kring and Ayer Hitam (N.S.), and camped for the night on the permanent where they finished work. During the night they were awakened by the tent falling on top of them, and they jumped up to see three elephants amongst them. The presence of the coolies evidently further annoyed the elephants, and they immediately proceeded to clear the path by picking up the coolies with their trunks and throwing them aside. Some coolies were banged against trees and others were stepped on, but when all was clear the elephants continued on their way.

As a result of a mad rush through the jungle in the dark, coolies who escaped a mauling by the elephants were cut and scratched by vines and thorns. It was only about 4 miles back to the main camp at Ayer Kring, but it was 11 a.m. next day when the coolies arrived there, limping, sore and bleeding.

At the base camp first aid was rendered to all nine coolies by Mrs. H. L. Ward, Mr. Ward being out in the field, and all were made as comfortable as possible under the conditions.

The four worst cases were sent to Kuala Pilah Hospital, but fortunately no one was injured seriously, and all were back at work again in a few days.

KING EDWARD HOTEL FIRE.

DISCOVERY OF FURTHER BODIES UNLIKELY.

INQUEST PROCEEDINGS THIS MORNING.

The task of clearing away the King Edward Hotel debris is now well in hand. A thorough overhaul of the major part of the wreckage has failed to locate further human remains and it is thought in official circles that the death toll is now complete.

A box containing a small quantity of jewellery and other minor valuables was unearthed by coolies of the Sanitary Department, and handed over by the police to a member of the staff of General Chen Ming Shu to whom the property belonged.

The following letter has been received by the Daily Press with a request for publication:—

"The Chairman of the Government Council of Canton Province, Mr. Cheng Ming Shu, wishes to convey herewith publicly to His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, to the Consular officials and to the public of Hong Kong his gratitude for the sympathy which has been manifested towards him and his friends by foreign as well as Chinese residents on the occasion of his recent accident."

"He is pleased to express on this occasion his earnest hope that the spirit of mutual assistance and of co-operation which has become visible in the general attempt to alleviate the suffering caused by the fire at the King Edward Hotel, will establish itself eminently as a driving force for future healthy collaboration between Occident and Orient, also in the daily life of New China."

Inquest proceedings will be commenced at Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. E. W. Hamilton will sit as Coroner.

CORRESPONDENCE.**THE HOTEL FIRE INQUEST.**

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

SIR,—The letter on the hotel fire inquest, written by "Old Resident" and published in your issue of to-day's date, having been, in various quarters, attributed to me, I think that, in all fairness, I should hasten to dissociate myself entirely from the writer's comments, opinions, or suggestions.—Yours faithfully,

LEO D'ALMADA E. CASTRO.
Hong Kong, March 13th.

CHRISTIAN TEACHING.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

SIR,—Just a few more words, and I am done. "R.B." has dragged Cromwell and Gladstone into a discussion which started about Christ, and threatens to include Winston Churchill. "R.B." challenges me to submit examples of contradictions and difficulties in Christ's teaching—I refer him to the authority whom I originally quoted, the Bishop of Gloucester. "R.B." becomes quite lyrical in demanding to know who could possibly have faked up "the Gospels." Let him ask Dean Inge that question, or the Bishop of Birmingham, or a score of other divines. They have views about Biblical fakes which may surprise "R.B."

As for reading a modern account of Cromwell's life, I have one less than ten years old, from which I learn that Cromwell was just about as tolerant as that other kind Christian, Laud.

My "delightful relevancy" seems to be questioned in referring to fifty-seven odd varieties of Christianity being offered to an unbelieving world. That so many different roads to heaven can be proclaimed, each as the nearest and safest path, surely indicates an amazing disagreement as to what Christ's teaching really is, or was—and that brings me back precisely to where we started. Nobody knows what Christ really did teach; there is no contemporary evidence on the subject, and how much is accepted of the extremely dubious writing which is available depends solely upon the critical disposition of the reader. And that is where "R.B." and myself part company.—Yours,

Hong Kong, March 13th.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

THE PROGRAMME FOR THIS YEAR.

TO ENTERTAIN THE SERVICES.

There was a fairly good attendance at yesterday evening's Annual General Meeting of the Society of St. George, held in the Hong Kong Club Annex. Presenting the report of the Committee for the past year, the Chairman, Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., commented upon the financial position of the Society.

As regards the general account, he said the remittance to the English Note of \$301.52 represented the subscriptions previously paid by members of the Society and sent to London during the year. In view of the little interest taken in this periodical, the Committee deemed it advisable to cancel the order for further copies.

Review of the Year's Work.

Subscriptions and entrance fees show an increase of \$304 over last year, but the additional 53 new members would more than account for this. The Hon. Treasurer had again experienced great difficulty in collecting these small sums. If members would only assist by sending in their dues direct, he felt sure that the collections would be considerably increased.

The observance of St. George's Day last year was confined to the usual interchange of greetings between fraternal Societies; and the holding of two entertainments at the Queen's and Star Theatres for the Services. The Annual Ball, held on January 4th, again proved a great success, both socially and financially, and he was glad to be able to tell the meeting that there would be a substantial sum to carry forward (Applause).

He thanked the Chairman and members of the various Sub-Committees who had worked so hard to make the Ball a success. The accounts for the 1928 Ball showed a balance at the Bank of \$1,470. This amount, together with \$530 from the 1929 Ball, making \$2,000, had been placed on fixed deposit. (Applause).

It was with sincere regret that he had to record the death of Mr. Howard Ruff, the Founder Honorary Secretary of the Royal Society of St. George, who had always taken such a keen interest in the various branches of the Society.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected for the year:—
President, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shen-ton; Vice-President, Mr. T. E. Pearce; Committee, Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, C.B.E., Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Messrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, E. C. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, W. J. Eldridge, A. P. Banger, C. Bulmer Johnson, V. C. Labrum, W. A. Cornell, T. J. Davies, and C. Jordan; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. S. P. Marcel; and Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. T. Butlin.

It was stated that Mr. W. W. Hornell would be unable to serve on the Committee as he was shortly going home to England.

The new President paid warm tribute to the services to the Society during the past year of Lieut.-Col. Bird, and also commented upon the generous action of the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary, Messrs. C. P. Marcel and S. T. Butlin, in offering their services voluntarily for another year.

Duke of Gloucester's Visit.

Dealing with the celebrations on St. George's Day, the new President, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shen-ton, said that in the past it had been the practice to entertain the Services with a cinematograph entertainment. He suggested, and the meeting agreed, that the same be done this year. The new Committee will attend to all details connected with this scheme.

It was also suggested that the Commanding Officer of the English Regiment be asked to give the services of the band, and the Cricket Club be asked for the loan of their ground in order to contribute to an evening event.

The Chairman pointed out, however, that St. George's Day fell upon April 23rd. As celebrations in connection with the His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester's visit would be in full swing on April 25th, 26th, and 27th, it was doubtful whether an evening concert on April 23rd would be advisable.

(Continued on next Column).

THE LATE MR. ENOS SETH.

VICTIM OF THE HOTEL FIRE.

BURIED AT HAPPY VALLEY.

Another victim of the King Edward Hotel fire disaster, Mr. Enos Seth, was buried yesterday afternoon at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, the service being conducted by the Rev. Father Noval, assisted by other priests and seminarists.

Chief mourners were Mr. and Mrs. J. Hennessy Seth and Mr. Harold Seth. The large attendance included Messrs. J. T. Bagram, T. M. Gregory, H. Gregory, G. P. L. E. and H. A. Lammett, Joseph Gould, J. Gubbay, D. A. Cooper, R. W. Lee-Jones, E. J. Ainslie, A. Stevenson, D. I. McWhirter, A. M. Thornhill, G. A. Harriman, Henry Humphreys, J. D. A. D. and E. Humphreys, A. T. Hamilton, C. G. Gregory, H. M. H. Nemasee, J. H. Wiltbell, A. A. Alves, A. C. Botelho, G. Rapp, F. X. Sousa, U. Gonella, J. Joseph, E. Hosie, D. Clark, Edgar Wright, H. J. Pearce, A. Nissim, E. Grossman, E. M. Raymond, M. J. B. Montargis, V. Benjamini, George Tsamtasacopoulos, Major Rouch-Kelly, Messrs. Chan Chew, Chan Yin, Fok Kwan Tit, and staff of Himly and Company, Mr. Tan Wing Kwong (Ip Tak & Co.), Mr. Wong (Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.), and others.

Floral Tributes.

Family wreaths included tokens from Charles, Daphne and mother; Bertie, Gissy and little Ian; Phyllis and Mack; Seth and Nella; Mabel and Douglas; auntie and cousins; Bertie, Florence and Alfred; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Seth, Mr. Harold Seth, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seth, Iryua, Phyllis.

Among the many other wreaths were those from Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bagram, H. M. Gregory, Hampden Ross, T. M. Gregory, H. Odell, Ezra Abraham, E. M. Raymond, Joseph Gould, E. J. Ainslie, E. Grossman, Sverre Berg, C. P. Marcel, E. E. Lammett, A. E. Wright, G. W. C. Burnett, A. T. Hamilton, A. H. Potts, H. E. Goldsmith, A. V. Apeat, M. J. Patell, S. S. Perry, Lambert Dunbar, C. Mancini, G. A. Harriman, Geo. Grimbly, G. Aurely, and U. C. Galluzzi.

Lady Chater, Mr. M. Manuk, Miss M. Manuk, Mrs. Helene Percy, Mrs. Weill and family, Miss M. Ellis and Mr. Felix M. Ellis, Miss Gubbay, and Messrs. A. and J. Gubbay, Mr. L. J. and Miss E. B. Blackburn, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Messrs. J. Whitchell, John Arnold, A. H. Humphreys, J. D. Humphreys, Henry Humphreys, Ernest Humphreys, H. E. Fletcher, V. J. Benjamin, J. E. Joseph, A. C. Botelho, H. M. H. Nemasee, G. K. Hall Brutton, P. C. Potts, G. Rapp, F. X. Sousa, George and Geoffrey Lammett, J. B. Montargis, A. Nissim, E. Gonella, D. Clark, H. A. de B. Botelho, R. Patonji, G. E. Ellams, W. G. Goggin, Norman Sargent, J. A. Tarrant, J. Joseph, R. W. Lee-Jones, F. Carr, C. Stewart, W. Anderson, W. C. Lee, Ho Kwong, J. M. Wong, M. Nemasee, Chan Chew and Chan Yin, Sik Nung and Fai Fung, Hin Seung Yick, Fok Kwan Tit, Ho Ki, M. Alley, Ho Wing.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming; Edward Whem and Sons, Ltd.; Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.; Himly and Company and staff; Oriental Commercial Company, and the China Mail.

Twelfth Night Ball.

Mr. Hornell pointed out that in the past a Twelfth Night Ball had been held and had been a success in every way and he suggested that a similar function be held this year. The meeting agreed with this proposition.

The Treasurer made an appeal for members in arrears with their subscriptions to send in remittances for the amounts due as soon as possible. There were a considerable number of members in arrears, and last year he had employed a shroff on a commission basis to collect the funds.

"Even then," he said, "amid laughter, 'I did not get all the money in.' He offered to call upon 40 people and collect their arrears and the Chairman, appealed for other members to assist the Hon. Treasurer in collecting monthly subscriptions."

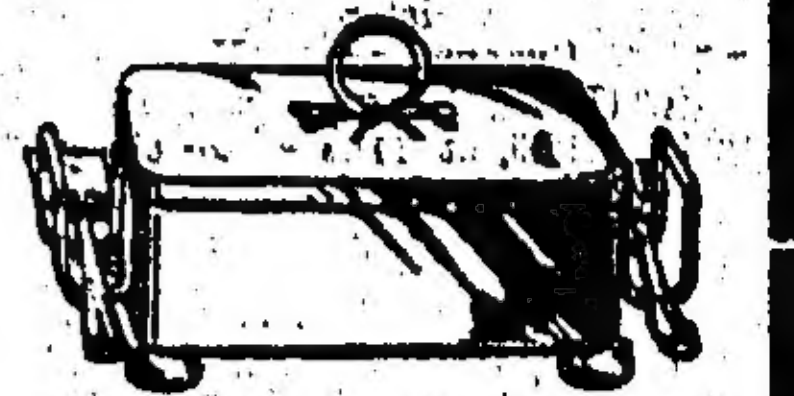
He concluded by referring to the great honour paid the Club by the bestowal by H.M. the King of the O.B.E. upon Col. Bird, who, in reply, made a speech which was taken down verbatim, without difficulty, by every reporter present. "Thank you very much," he said.

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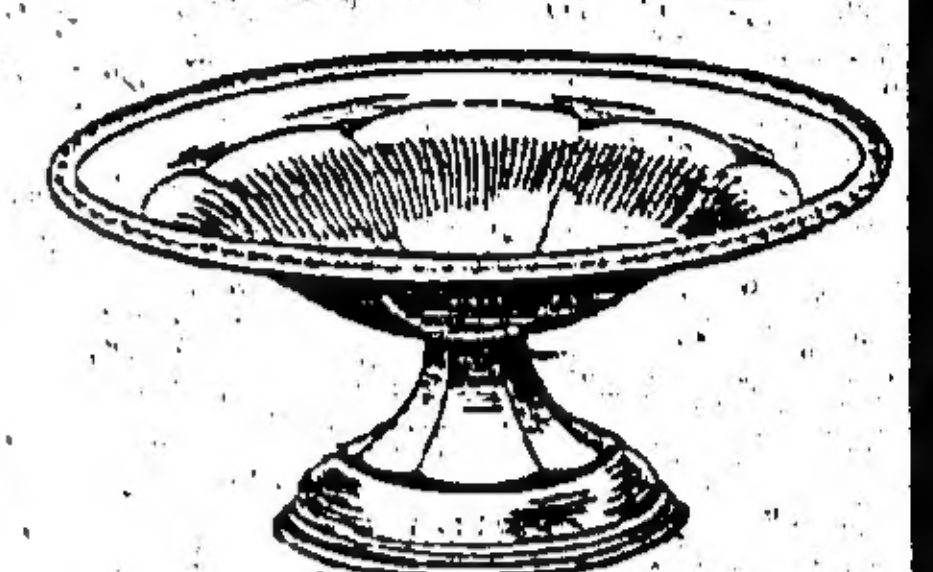
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to Section 181 of the Companies Ordinance, 1911, that a MEETING OF CREDITORS OF N. T. CONCESSIONS, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, PRINCE STREET, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the SIXTH DAY OF APRIL, 1929, at 11 A.M., for the purpose provided for in the said Section.

A. RITCHIE, C.A., Liquidator.

Dated this 14th day of March, 1929. [7525]

NOTICE.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ANNUAL MEETING of this ASSOCIATION will take place on FRIDAY, the 22ND MARCH, 1929, at 5.30 P.M., in the HALL of QUEEN'S COLLEGE for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 1928, electing Officers for 1929 and transacting any other Business.

By Order of the General Committee, C. G. ANDERSON, Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong, 15th Mar., 1929. [7527]

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FIRST YEARLY DRAWING of 20 PRIZES (1928) (Prize—\$500 each) of the HONG KONG CLUB, payable on MONDAY, the 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1929, will be held in the CLUB HOUSE at 11 O'CLOCK, A.M., on THURSDAY, the 21ST MARCH, 1929.

By Order, T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut.-Col., Secretary, Hong Kong, 6th March, 1929. [7495]

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. BUILDING, on FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1929, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1928, and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents, Hong Kong, 1st Mar., 1929. [7469]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDING, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 27th MARCH, 1929, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1928.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 26th MARCH, 1929, Both Days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers, THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD., Hong Kong, 5th Mar., 1929. [7480]

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDING, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 27th MARCH, 1929, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1928.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 27th MARCH, 1929 (Both Days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors, R. M. DYER, Chief Manager, Hong Kong, 13th Mar., 1929. [7521]

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION intends at an Early Date to apply to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL of Hong Kong for a Bill to amend the Constitution of the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1929. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. [7516]

INTIMATIONS.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF WILLIAM JOHN MACGEEH MACCAW, late of 103, BAYVIEW SQUARE IN THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER AND OF ROSSBURY PARK GARDENS IN THE COUNTY OF SURREY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of the Provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, made an Order Limiting the Time for Creditors and Others to send in their Claims against the above Estate to the 15th DAY OF APRIL, 1929. All Creditors and Others are accordingly hereby required to send in their Claims to the Underigned on or before that Date.

DEACONS, Solicitors for the Executor, J. Des Vaux Road Central, Hong Kong. [7507]

G. R. 1929-1930.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the R.N. HOSPITAL, until 10 A.M., on the 21st MARCH, 1929, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Bread, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Aerated Waters, Ice, and Other Provisions, and Necessaries for the Year ending 31st MARCH, 1930.

Printed Forms of Tender and further Particulars can be obtained at the R.N. HOSPITAL.

The right to reject the Lowest or any Tender is reserved. Wm. W. KEIR, Surgeon Captain, R.N. R.N. HOSPITAL, Hong Kong, 15th Mar., 1929. [7512]

G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 18th DAY OF MARCH, 1929, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Sham-shuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1211.	Between New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1212 and Lot No. 1213, Kowloon.	As per plan.	About 8,960	82	13,400

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2160.	Between Nathan Road and Bala Street, Mong Kok.	As per plan.	About 14,185	164	39,970

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TO LET—Unfurnished from 1st APRIL, "LA HACIENDA" No. 194, THE PEAK, Rent Moderate. Apply to Property Office, JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. [7491]

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.17 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone has weakened. It is now central to the south of Shanghai. Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate, overcast at first improving later.

Hong Kong Office: 11, Ice House Street.
London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, March 15th, 1929.

CANADA'S INTEREST IN CHINA.

One of the new features of the British Industries Fair, which was held in England last month, was the participation of Canada. Never before had the Dominion been represented, and her appearance, in view of the great importance the Fair has now assumed, was an Imperial event of the first magnitude.

Apart from her share in the Empire Marketing Board display, Canada had extensive exhibits of her own, and £8,000 was devoted to the layout of an entire hall covering 11,000 square feet at the White City, London, and of a considerable area at Castle Bromwich. There is a prevalent idea that Canada is a vast reservoir of raw material, but she is also an important producer of finished articles. This was clearly demonstrated by a wide range exhibited of goods made by Canadian firms, ranging from electric fans and machine tools to refrigerators and fountain pens. The annual value of the manufactures of the Dominion now approximate \$200,000,000, and by reason of her resources and the abundance of cheap power this total is growing by leaps and bounds. Foodstuffs, too, account for a considerable proportion of Canada's export returns, and her fruits, cereals, and dairy produce formed a convincing section of the display at both centres of the British Industries Fair.

In spite of the political and financial disturbances which have prevented normal economic progress in China, Canadian exports to that country are increasing at a more rapid rate than exports to any other part of the world. Prior to 1915 there were only two years in which the value of Canadian exports to China had been in excess of one million dollars, and in that year the value was only \$300,000. During the last twelve months the value of exports to China was in excess of \$14,000,000, and in 1928 the record year of Canadian exporting, the value of exports to China amounted to \$24,000,000. Annual exports to the Chinese and Japanese market now have a value in excess of \$50,000,000.

There are few countries in the world where friendship and respect play a larger part in determining the channels of trade than in China. Those Canadians who desire to encourage the growth of this trade relationship are considering the necessity for understanding and appreciating Chinese culture and Chinese thought. It is realized that only upon such a basis of mutual respect can friendship be established. In the past, the West has expected the Chinese to adopt Western ideas, Western methods and Western machinery, as well as to communicate in Western languages. Without the appreciation of the viewpoint that Eastern customs and Eastern thought are probably far better adapted to Eastern conditions, the West will seem lacking in both sympathy and understanding. In the remote past, the Chinese have made no small contributions to Western thought and advancement, with the exception of writing itself, the invention of printing was probably the most important individual contribution to civilization in history. The Chinese know that their literature and culture are on such a plane that they may expect to make further contributions to knowledge. They cannot be expected to be entirely willing to adopt the best ideas of the West unless the West proves itself equally open-minded.

A country such as Canada, which is selling ten times as much goods to China as it is buying from that country, has special reason to acquire a knowledge of the habits, customs, styles, and trends in that country. From a business viewpoint, such information may be regarded as pre-requisite to market analysis. In this connection, the Great Library of Chinese Literature at McGill University, Montreal, furnishes a valuable medium for securing a wide variety of information covering China. This library is the best of its type outside of China. Research students are in attendance who are glad to compile all possible information on any subject of interest to those making enquiries. These services are supplied by the library without charge.

The books in this collection contain information on a remarkable range of subjects. In the field of banking, for instance, there may be found the story of the earliest experiments in the circulation of paper money. "Flying money" was in circulation in China about 800 A.D., at least a hundred years before paper itself was known in Europe. Experiments concerning inflation and deflation were conducted in China at about the time of the Norman Conquest. At the time of MARCO POLO, when no European Court had a total annual Budget amounting in value to as much as one million taels a year, the Treasury of the great KAY was finding it possible to print and circulate additional paper currency to the extent of thirty-seven million taels a year, without producing inflation. Even from the viewpoint of the history of printing, the fact that there were billions of pieces of paper currency in circulation in China about 800 years ago is a fact of general interest.

In the great 9,000 volume Chinese Encyclopedia, available in the Great Library, is material of interest to chemists, physicians, economists, and research students in many other fields. Chinese scholars at the library compile and translate such material for all persons making serious enquiries. To the peoples of both Canada and the United States, this library may prove to be a door-way opening upon the Orient. It gives business-men an opportunity of acquiring information which is not easy to obtain abroad. Reference to the Great Library will bring facts and figures concerning China to the notice of enterprising manufacturers and merchants, which may prompt them to make further inquiries among business firms already established in the Orient, with a view to introducing new lines to the market. Library research will not serve as a substitute for practical first-hand commercial knowledge and experience, but it can stimulate interest, and inspire keen inquiries as to the prospects of new business being opened up in the great market of China.

News and Views.

Five cases of small-pox, all Chinese were reported on Wednesday. There was also one Chinese case of enteric.

Dr. John R. Mott will give an address under the auspices of the Returned Students' Union in the Hong Kong Hotel to-day on "International Relations."

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. F. M. Jose dos Remedios, bank clerk, No. 2, Mosque-junction, Hong Kong, to Miss L. M. P. Peres, No. 8, Tong Hing Road, Kowloon.

The police have made three arrests, in connection with the theft of three revolvers from No. 2 Police Station on March 8th. Two of the revolvers were recovered the day following the theft, and the remaining one was found yesterday.

A Chinese boy, age 9, was knocked down by a China Motor Bus Company vehicle in Reclamation Street, off Argyle Street on Wednesday afternoon, and was killed. The off front wheel of the bus ran over the boy's head after the vehicle had knocked him down.

A Chinese who was arrested after the discovery in his belt of twenty tablets of illicit opium by searchers at the Hoi On wharf was brought before the Magistrate yesterday. Pleading guilty to a charge of unlawful possession of the drug, the man was fined \$2,000 or six months' hard labour.

A conductor in the employ of the Hong Kong Tramways met with a fatal accident on Wednesday night, on the last trip of his car from Shaukiwan. It is understood that when the tram was in the neighbourhood of North Point, he fell or slipped into the roadway, receiving injuries from which he died in the Government Civil Hospital yesterday forenoon.

The A.D.O. have selected for their third production of the season "The Dover Road," a three-act comedy by A. A. Milne, which will be produced at the Theatre Royal for five nights, commencing on April 6th. Fifty per cent. of the profits will be handed over to the Miners' Fund. The cast will consist entirely of players who have not yet appeared this season.

The dance arranged by the Sanitary Department Sports Club for Saturday, at the Hotel Savoy, is cancelled.

An elderly Chinese woman was walking on the edge of the sea wall opposite Queen's Building during the tiffin interval yesterday when she suddenly stepped into the water. Occupants of a sampan seized her as she was sinking and an Indian traffic constable assisted in hauling her to the roadway. The woman, apparently none the worse for her little experience, was escorted to the police station by the constable.

The Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., made the change-over to their new track on the Praya East on Wednesday night. Work commenced at 11.30 p.m., the track being cut in four places—a very difficult job, in the limited time at disposal—but thanks to the efficiency of the staff, the work was performed in time for the service to be resumed at the regular hour in the morning. Buses were kept in readiness in case of emergency, but their use was not found to be necessary. Apart from the cutting of the line, the overhead high-tension wires had to be dealt with, which work was also satisfactorily carried out.

The "King Edward" Mail.

This afternoon Mr. E. W. Hamilton will open an inquest on the body of Mr. William Woods, an Australian who lost his life in the fire at the King Edward Hotel. Mr. Hamilton has visited the scene of the disaster, and in the course of his inspection of the premises opened the mail-box in the foyer of the hotel. Inside were found a number of letters which had been deposited on Sunday night by guests staying at the Hotel. The packets were badly damaged by water, but were for the most part intact, and have been handed over to the police for examination. It is thought that the contents of the letters may give some valuable clues as to the identity of the persons who were in the building on Sunday night when the fire broke out. The hotel register was so badly damaged by water as to be practically useless for identification purposes, whereas the letters which have been fortunately recovered may possibly reveal some new information of considerable value to the police in their efforts to ascertain exactly how many persons were in the hotel at the time of the disaster.

Oxford's Good Rowing.

Both the Dark and Light Blues have had their full share of bad luck this year during their long period of training for the great annual contest. A month ago, just when regular practice was most essential, both the Cam and the Isis were frozen, and the rival crews had to amuse themselves with skipping exercises and road-work instead of getting into their boats. Illness, especially influenza, has caused trouble both among crews and coaches, but in spite of all this, Oxford made splendid time in going over the full course from Putney to Mortlake. The best time on record is 18min. 25sec., made by Oxford in 1911, on Wednesday the Dark Blues rowed the course in 19min. 13sec., which is the best time recorded in any race since 1924, when Cambridge won in 18min. 41sec. This year the Universities meet in the centenary race, Oxford having won 40 times and Cambridge 39, with one dead-heat. The Dark Blues have had a run of bad luck since "Pussy" Mellon—a Rhodes scholar from Dartmouth—stroked them to victory in 1923. The Oxford crew this year is lighter than Cambridge, and their time in the trial suggests that they will be able to give a good account of themselves on March 23rd.

West River Piracies.

It is happily some considerable time since any officers of the mercantile marine have fallen victims to Chinese pirates. The grave dangers associated with navigation on the West River have been removed; let us hope permanently, for there are troubles enough for sailors on the China Coast and river services without pirates adding to the burden. The memory of recent tragic happenings, however, will long remain, be the future ever so peaceful. On Wednesday next, March 20th, H.E. the Governor will unveil the memorial tablet, erected by the Hong Kong Government in St. Peter's Church, West Point, to the memory of Robert Black, late Chief Engineer of the Kowchow, who was murdered by pirates in the West River on September 1st, 1927. The dedicatory service will take place at 11 a.m., and it is hoped that all seafarers and others interested who can possibly do so will make a point of being present. Wreaths should be at the Church by 10.30 a.m. It has been arranged that after the service a party will proceed to the Protestant Cemetery to deposit wreaths, which may be brought to the Church for that purpose, on the tombstones erected by the Hong Kong Government to the memory of Harry Conway, late Chief Officer of the San Nam Hoi, who was murdered by pirates in the West River on January 17th, 1928.

Among the passengers expected here this morning by the a.s. Naldera is the Indian poet and philosopher Sir Rabindranath Tagore, who is on his way to America. The distinguished visitor is expecting to stay here several days.

Although the Peking-Suiyuan railway, running from Peking in the northwest, is one of the Chinese government railways, the Ministry of Communications which controls the railway system, has not been able to operate this line for several months. The Shanai warlord, Marshal Yen Hsi Shan, insists upon keeping the line for his own purposes. The Ministry has made several attempts to take over this line from Marshal Yen, who owes allegiance to the Nan-king Government, but thus far has been unsuccessful. Marshal Yen offers no excuses for continuing to operate this government line.

The Study of Chinese.

Though there is still a lamentable paucity of instructors and students in England, the need for the study of Chinese is receiving more attention from those in a position to make use of those who qualify. The call to Manchester to prepare to play her part in the political and commercial rehabilitation of China, which was sounded by Mr. Maxwell Reekie at the recent meeting of the China section of the Chamber of Commerce, has revived the old question of instituting a Chair of Chinese in Manchester University. It is understood that the University authorities are keen enough to provide adequate facilities, but, unfortunately, the endowment at their disposal will go no further than pay for a few lectures annually. Also, there is some difficulty in finding a lecturer. Upon the commercial side the position is that both Mr. Maxwell Reekie and his predecessor in the chairmanship of the China section, Mr. J. Rankine Finlayson, have urged that some share of the Boxer indemnity fund be allocated for this purpose. "The final allocation has not yet been made," as Mr. Reekie has explained, "and we have still some hope that our claim will not be entirely disregarded." Mr. Reekie holds that commercial men must be sent to China who know the language.

The Stranger's Grave.

The paragraph appearing in this column yesterday relating to the burial of Mr. Paul Baile at Happy Valley on Wednesday, has attracted considerable attention. Surprise and shame has been expressed by many that the body of a European could be lowered into a grave without either religious ceremony or the attendance of a single compatriot. Further information to hand completely exonerates the clergy from blame or responsibility. The priest in charge of the Roman Catholic cemetery was notified by the undertaker that the funeral of Mr. Baile would take place on Tuesday at 11 a.m. A grave was opened, and a priest was in attendance at the hour stated, ready to perform the ceremony. He waited for more than half an hour, but the undertaker's men not having appeared, the priest left the cemetery. It was subsequently learned that no permit for the funeral had been received. On Wednesday afternoon the clergy learned from a coolie that a coffin had been taken to the cemetery, and again a priest went down to the grave. He was astonished to find no funeral party, nor even undertakers' men, and after waiting for a while—naturally expecting someone would be coming to the graveside—the priest performed the burial service.

"A Misunderstanding."

This, then, explains how it came about that there was no priest in attendance when the coffin was lowered into the grave on Wednesday morning. What now remains to be explained is how it was that the funeral did not take place at eleven o'clock on Tuesday morning, in accordance with the original notification sent to the priest in charge of the cemetery. The undertaker states that owing to a misunderstanding between the police and the Medical Officer of the Government Civil Hospital, it was not possible to move the body until four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Just what this misunderstanding was we do not know, nor do we know how it came about that the coolies lowered the coffin into the grave at eleven o'clock on Wednesday without any European being present to watch the proceedings. Presumably somebody gave them the necessary instructions—who was it? Nor do we know why no representative of the French Consulate, attended the cemetery at any time to show a last tribute of respect to a compatriot who had met so tragic an end. We understand there are a number of people in the Colony who would have gone to the funeral of Mr. Baile had they known when it was to take place, and who feel greatly distressed by what has occurred. The whole incident is most deplorable, and there must be something radically wrong with a system which makes such "misunderstanding" possible.

THIRD DELEGATE CONGRESS.

A QUORUM ASSURED.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST COMMUNISTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 13th. Everything is ready for the opening of the National Kuomintang Congress at 10 a.m. on Friday morning in the auditorium of the Central Military Academy. More than 200 delegates had registered late this afternoon, and thus a quorum is assured.

The meeting of the Central Executive Committee this morning elected a committee of nine—Tan Yen Kai, Chiang Kai Shek, Hu Han Min, Yu Yu Jen, Sun Fo, Chen Kuo Fu, Koo Ying Fen, Chang Ching Kiang and Wu Ting Hung to examine the delegates' credentials. Hu Han Min was appointed temporary chairman of the Congress.

Unusual precautionary measures are being taken to prevent Communists and reactionaries from creating disturbances. Heavy squads of soldiers and police lined the streets to-day, stopping vehicles and thoroughly searching the people.

FENG URGED TO ATTEND.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, March 14th. A telegram was sent on Tuesday to Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang by Chang Ching Kiang, Li Shih Tseng and Wu Tsai Hui urging him to come to Nanking.

In an interview, Wu Tsai Hui said that the rumour that Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang intended that the Third National Kuomintang Delegate Congress be held in Honan is baseless and ridiculous. He added that according to a telegram addressed to Mr. Chang Ching Kiang, Li Shih Tseng and himself, Marshal Feng felt the greatest goodwill towards the Congress.

Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has issued circular orders that during the period of session of the Third National Kuomintang Delegate Congress all other conferences are to be suspended.

HUNAN COMMITTEE RESIGNS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHANGSHA, March 14th. It is stated that the entire Hunan Provincial Government committee tendered their resignations en bloc to the Wuhan Divisional Council yesterday. No reason was given for the action.

HUNAN SETTLEMENT.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, March 14th. In an interview Mr. Tsai Yuen Pei said that the Hunan trouble is now over, and that Chang Chi Pan, Chang Hui Fu and Hu Tsung Tu, the dismissed Wuhan leaders, are not likely to receive severe treatment. General Li Tsung Jen, who has recently recovered from his eye trouble, will proceed to Nanking after a few days further rest.

UPKEEP OF TROOPS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, March 14th. A telegram was received by Marshal Chiang Kai Shek on Tuesday from General Li Bin Hsin requesting him to set aside funds for the maintenance of his troops which have been stationed in Hopei for more than six months.

The upkeep of these forces has been a matter of extreme difficulty, as no funds have been transmitted by the Central authorities for a considerable period.

DANISH TREATY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 14th. Herr Tillitz, the Danish Chargé d'Affaires, arrived from Peking this morning and called on Dr. C. T. Wang. He informed the Foreign Minister that ratification by the Danish Government of the Sino-Danish treaty, with its additional exchange of notes as required by the Legislative Yuan, is expected shortly.

DOCK STRIKE IN JAPAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, March 14th. 5,000 dock workers in the Yokohama Dockyard have struck for a wage increase and better treatment.

PEKING-MUKDEN RAILWAY.

RECEIPTS FOR FEBRUARY.

PROFIT OF \$50,000.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, March 14th. According to a report of the Ministry of Railways, the rolling stock of the Peking-Mukden Railway comprises 13 locomotives, 14 passenger cars and 82 freight cars.

The total receipts of the line for February were \$710,000, while expenditure totalled \$260,000, leaving a profit of \$50,000.

SCHNEIDER CUP FLYER'S FEAT.

LOOPING AT 300 M.P.H.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 14th. Flying Officer Atcherley, a member of the Royal Air Force high speed section training for the Schneider Trophy Race, has looped the loop in one of the racing seaplanes while travelling at a speed of 300 miles an hour.

R.A.F. FLYING BOATS FOR BASRAH.

A RAPID FLIGHT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 14th. The three Royal Air Force Southampton flying boats which left England recently for the Basrah Air Base arrived at Baghdad yesterday from Alexandria after a seven and a half hours flight. Their average speed was over 100 miles an hour. They alighted on the Tigris, and will proceed to Basrah to-day.

WORLD DEMAND FOR STEEL.

INCREASED ANNUAL OUTPUT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRUSSELS, March 14th. The executive committee of the International Steel Cartel has decided to increase the annual output by 2,000,000 tons in view of the fact that all contracting countries are obliged, owing to the demands of the market, to exceed the present quota.

LORD PHILLIMORE'S DEATH.

PIONEER OF THE LEAGUE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 13th. The death has occurred of Lord Phillimore, the well-known judge and international and ecclesiastical lawyer, at the age of 63. He took a leading share in the formation of the League of Nations, being chairman in 1917 of the committee which produced the draft of the status of the League in a document circulated to the United States and other Governments early in 1918. On this draft President Wilson asked Colonel House to work. Lord Phillimore was also for several years President of the International Law Association.

INTEREST IN CHINA SITUATION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 13th. Asked in the House of Commons to state the present position in China, Sir Austen Chamberlain said Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister, reports that the situation is at present nebulous.

In Shanghai, General Chang Tsung Chang has been reinforced by several thousands of ex-Northern troops who had been incorporated in the forces of the National Government, but no serious fighting has taken place.

Fighting took place at Changsha in the last week of February when a General belonging to the Kwangsi group was forcibly displaced by one of his colleagues. As the latter was a nominee of Nanking, the incident gave rise to rumours of an impending recrudescence of civil war, but, according to the latest report from the British Consul-General at Shanghai, the situation appears easier and Marshal Li Tsung Jen, the head of the Kwangsi party, who is at present in hospital at that town, has published a statement declaring his allegiance to the National Government, and stating that the Changsha affair is of local significance only.

The position may become clearer after the meeting of the Party Congress of the Kuomintang, which is due to open at Nanking on March 15th.

U.S. CARGO BOAT ASHORE.

VESSEL BOUND FOR SHANGHAI.

REFLOATED WITHOUT ASSISTANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 14th. The American cargo boat Bellingham, bound for Shanghai and laden with lumber from Tacoma, went ashore yesterday morning at Yangtze Capr, 54 miles from Shanghai. She was refloated at noon to-day and is now proceeding to Shanghai. As far as can be ascertained no damage was suffered.

S.S. GIESSEN'S CREW RESCUED.

VESSEL A TOTAL LOSS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 14th. The salvage tug Saucy which has arrived on the scene of the wreck of the German steamer GiesSEN has sent a wireless message stating that the vessel appears to be doomed.

She has been filling rapidly overnight and is now submerged fore and aft. The salvage of her cargo will be impossible.

Forty-nine members of the crew of the lost ship were still marooned on Button Rock without food, and the heavy weather prevented the Saucy from taking them off, but later the Saucy managed to effect their rescue and is returning to Shanghai.

NOBLE RESIGNS HIS POSTS.**ATTEMPT TO VINDICATE HIS ACTIONS.****FINDINGS OF "ITALIA" COMMISSION.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ROME, March 13th. It is officially announced that General Nobile, the leader of the ill-fated Polar Expedition of the airship Italia last year, has resigned his rank of General and his post in the Italian Air Ministry.

He has issued a statement to the effect that he has resigned in order that he may be a free citizen, and thus be in a position to vindicate himself in spite of the findings of the Commission of Enquiry, the conclusions of which he declined to accept.

The Commission found that the loss of the airship was due to faulty handling by her commander, and that there was no acceptable justification, other than physical and moral depression, for the fact that General Nobile allowed himself to be saved first by the airman Lundborg.

AGRICULTURE IN THE COLONIES.**ADVISORY COUNCIL TO BE FORMED.**

CEYLON EXPERT'S POST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13th. Questions regarding the Government's intention of giving effect to the recommendations of the Lovat Committee, which investigated agricultural organisation and services in the non-self-governing Colonies, and submitted its report recently, were asked in the House of Commons to-day by Mr. E. Ramsden (Cons.).

In reply, Lieut.-Col. L. C. M. S. Amery, the Dominions Secretary, said that Mr. Frank Arthur Stockdale, C.B.E., had been appointed Assistant Agricultural Adviser and had assumed his duties on March 1st.

Mr. Stockdale has been Director of Agriculture and Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Ceylon since 1916. He is an agriculturist of great repute having written numerous reports and articles relating to Tropical Agriculture, while he has been Editor of the *Tropical Agriculturist* since 1916.

The post of Chief Agricultural Adviser, said Mr. Amery, has been temporarily left unfilled. The Government is now taking steps to constitute the proposed Advisory Council. Twenty-one out of the 58 Dependencies had agreed to contribute towards the cost of the Council and the other five had not finally decided.

DISTRESSED AREAS IN BRITAIN.

PRAISE FOR LORD MAYOR'S FUND.

CHILDREN WELL CARED FOR.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 14th. Lord Eustace Percy in the House of Commons last night stated that as a result of the Lord Mayor's Fund for the relief of distress in the mining districts, anxiety in all areas as to the proper feeding and clothing of children had been removed. Expectant and nursing mothers were now properly provided for and mental depression had been tackled by constructive measures, such as cultivation of allotments or a grant of assistance to facilitate removal.

While noting a remarkable improvement in the trade of the distressed areas, he stated that even the greatest possible revival would leave a large population surplus to the requirements of their old industry near their old homes. In this lay the special justification of the fund. The main purpose of the fund was to fill the gaps in the normal system of public assistance.

KING CONFINED TO THE HOUSE.**PRINCESS ELIZABETH AT BOGNOR.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 14th. Another dull day with a cold east wind prevented the King, who passed a good night, from going out of doors to-day. His grandchild Princess Elizabeth, who is staying for a few days at Craigwell House, visited him again in his room this morning.

H.M. the King passed a good day on Wednesday. The weather was rainy, dull and cold throughout the day, and it was impossible to take the King into the grounds of Craigwell House. His Majesty spent the day sitting in his rooms.

Princess Elizabeth, who arrived at Craigwell House this evening to spend a few days with the Queen while her parents, the Duke and Duchess of York, are in Norway, was taken to see her grandfather soon after her arrival.

CADETS IN CIVIL CAREERS.**STUDENTS' PROTEST IN MADRID.****PROFESSIONS ALREADY CROWDED.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, March 13th. The disturbances in Madrid, the student riots, are closely connected with the quarrel between the Spanish Government and the Artillery.

Owing to the disbandment of the cadets of the military colleges, provision has had to be made for some five hundred youths whose military careers have been suddenly ended, and this appears to have upset the prospective members of already overcrowded professions, who have passed far stiffer examinations than those required of the cadets. It is feared that the cadets' examinations will hold valid for civilian careers and it is this that has caused the bad feeling among the other students.

The Government, however, announces that the student agitation is subsiding, and the situation is tending towards the normal.

INTERNATIONAL COURT JUDGES.**ANNUAL VACATION OF SIX MONTHS.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 13th. The Committee of Jurists which has been considering the Statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice, established at The Hague, with a view to meeting the wishes of the American Government on the one hand and to speed up election of judges on the other, has reached an agreement.

It has been decided to fix the number of judges at fifteen and to abolish the four deputy-judges. The judges will be entitled to six months' vacation every year and if the judge's home is more than five days' journey from The Hague, he will, additionally, have six months' leave every three years. More expeditions election of judges will also be arranged.

ROYAL WEDDING AT OSLO.

CROWN PRINCE OLAV'S "BEST MAN."

DUKE OF YORK SETS OUT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 14th. The Duke and Duchess of York left for Norway on Thursday to attend the marriage, at Oslo, of Crown Prince Olaf and Princess Martha of Sweden. The wedding takes place on the 21st instant, and the Duke of York will be the "best man."

Arrangements have been completed for the marriage of Crown Prince Olaf of Norway to Princess Martha of Sweden, writes an United Press correspondent. This will be the first royal wedding in Oslo since 1839 and the first royal Norwegian marriage here since King Haakon VI married the Danish Princess Margrete in the fourteenth century.

Princess Martha is the daughter of the Duke of Vastergotland, brother of King Gustav. She is considered the most beautiful royal princess in Europe to-day. Tall and slender, with dark hair and a pale complexion, she presents a vivid contrast to the blonde hair and light coloring of her sister Astrid, wife of the Crown Prince of Belgium. Martha is of a retiring disposition, fond of music and an excellent needlewoman. House-keeping, cooking, nursing and farming are among her other accomplishments.

Idol of His People.

Prince Olav will some day ascend the throne of Norway as Olaf VI. The last king of his name died in 1871 while still a boy. Ever since his first came to Norway at the age of two he has been the darling of the Norwegian people. His fair hair and blue eyes coupled with his tall, erect carriage and his love of outdoor sports have commended him to his countrymen as the perfect example of Norwegian manhood.

Olav was born in England at Sandringham when his father was Prince Charles of Denmark. His mother, Princess Maud before she became Queen of Norway, is a sister of the late King Edward VII. He was christened Alexander Edward Christian Frederick, but when his father accepted the crown of Norway and took the name of King Haakon, he tactfully chose that his son should thereafter be called Olaf, after the patron saint of Norway.

Competent Yachtsman.

Prince Olav has spent much of his time in England, both as a child, when he visited his grandfather King Edward, and later as the guest of his Uncle George. He studied two years at Balliol College, Oxford, where he took a degree in Economics and Political Science, and he is a well-known figure in British yachting circles. In 1926 he sailed his six meter yacht "Oslo" to victory at Cowes Week Races.

Another favourite sport of his is skiing and ski-jumping. Prince Olav has been at home on skis since the age of five and has frequently participated in jumping contests. In 1923 he took second prize at the National Contest at Holmenkollen, near Christiania, the most important meeting of the year. He is also a fine horseman and a good fencer. While at Oxford he rowed in the Balliol boat.

Another feather in his cap was the winning of a race in Amsterdam at the Olympics last summer in his yacht "Norda." His yachting has done much to popularize the sport throughout Norway.

Many Rumours.

The engagement of Prince Olav to Princess Martha was rumoured as early as the autumn of 1926. Many other rumours have been current about the royal pair from time to time. Princess Martha was frequently mentioned in connection with the Prince of Wales and also as a possible bride for King Boris of Bulgaria. Her marriage prospects have been the most discussed of any European princess in recent years.

Prince Olav's name has at one time or another been linked up with Lady May Cambridge, a cousin of the King of England, with Princess Astrid, Martha's sister, and with Princess Giovanna of Italy.

OXFORD'S FULL COURSE TRIAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13th. The Oxford crew rowed a full course trial from Putney to Mortlake, their time being 19 min. 13 sec.

DISASTROUS SPEED ATTEMPT.

AMERICAN CONTESTANT KILLED.

CAR WRECKED IN SAND DUNES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 14th. While making an attempt on the last speed record of 231.3 miles an hour set up by Major Segrave on Monday, Lee Bible, the American driver of the huge American Triplex car, was instantly killed and his machine smashed at Daytona Beach yesterday. The tragedy was witnessed by a huge crowd including Major Segrave.

Bible had made one run over the measured mile at a speed of 200 miles an hour, and had turned the car and had entered the course at approximately the same speed when the machine crashed, turning over several times and throwing Bible clear. When the spectators reached him he was dead. The car also struck and killed a press photographer who was standing on a sand dune at the side of the course.

Much sympathy is felt here for the American driver, and Major Segrave has paid him a warm tribute. If Bible had lowered the record, Major Segrave who was standing by with his mechanic was to have made another run immediately, and had indeed expressed a desire to improve on his own record in any case. In deference to the dead American he decided not to make any attempt, and later the trials were declared closed, which means that Segrave's record stands and no fresh attempt will be made at Daytona for a year.

BRITISH SUBJECT IN MEXICO.**KIDNAPPED BY MEXICAN BANDITS.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 13th. In the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that the British Minister at Mexico City had reported that Mr. John Reid, a British subject, together with an American citizen, had been kidnapped by brigands and was being held to ransom. Both men were employed by the San Nicholas Mining and Milling Company in the city of Durango.

The British Minister and the United States Ambassador were in communication on the subject with the Mexican Government, and the British Vice Consul at Durango had been instructed to co-operate with his United States colleague in an endeavour to secure the release of the captured men.

"DOPE" IN CHINA.**WESTERN POWERS BLAMED FOR DRUG TRAFFIC.**

GENEVA (U.P.).—China is fast being made the victim of the "international dope ring" for the great bulk of narcotic drugs that are smuggled into the world's illicit traffic. Following the recrudescence of opium growing and smoking that has been rendered possible by the internal revolutions in China for the past ten years, she is now also being flooded from the outside with morphine, cocaine and other habit forming derivatives of these drugs.

Statistics just secured by the Advisory Opium Commission of the League of Nations on seizures of illicit shipments of these drugs during the past year show that fully two thirds of them were destined for China. The figures placed at the disposition of the commission by the various governments during the past year were 935 kilograms of morphine; 2,040 kilograms of heroin and 90 kilograms of cocaine.

Of these total amounts, 760 kilograms of morphine, 2,310 kilograms of heroin and 40 kilograms of cocaine were seized while in transit to Chinese destinations.

Before the League's Opium Commission, Wang King Ky, the delegate for the new Chinese Nationalist government, threw on to the western powers the entire blame for the manner in which China is thus being made the victim of western drug habits.

Chinese students in Peking must be taught that they should attend to their studies and not interfere with the government by demonstrations or otherwise, according to an order issued by the Nanking Ministry of Education forbidding such demonstrations as have occurred recently. The local military authorities declare they will enforce these new orders from Nanking thoroughly.

Telegrams in Brief.

In the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, replying to a question said the Government had made no agreement with any foreign country since 1918 for mutual defence, or for other purposes of which Parliament had not been advised, or which had not been deposited with the League of Nations.

The British Foreign Secretary has announced that following representations which he had made to the Colombian Government, the British steamer Tritonia, who were detained by the Colombian authorities for the purpose of an inquiry into the cause of and responsibility for an explosion on that vessel, had been allowed to leave Buenaventura.

As the result of an agreement reached between France and Italy, it will be possible for France to develop an air route from Marseilles across Italy to Athens, and then to Japan via Bagdad, India, China and China. The agreement allows France to use the Italian airports at Naples and Castellorosso, thus removing any difficulty for the first stage of the air route.

Marshal Foch has taken a sudden turn for the worse, and his condition is now causing some anxiety.

The French Chamber has agreed by 333 votes to 234 to the demand of the Government to discuss immediately the Bill dealing with Missionaries and Congregations.

THE PROGRESS OF SIAM.**KING REVIEWS DEVELOPMENT PLANS.**

Bangkok, March 6th.—The King's speech delivered during the Coronation anniversary ceremonies was publicly issued to-day.

His Majesty refers to the increased well-being of the people in the provinces and says it has been decided that more attention should be paid to the quality of teaching in schools through more intensive policy of normal instruction and an extensive course for teachers.

Regarding State finance His Majesty says it is estimated that the revenue will be sufficient not only to meet ordinary expenditure but also to provide for special expenditure for the public benefit, such as the construction of roads and highways in the capital and the provinces, and the repair and conservancy of navigable canals. Other works of public utility, railway extensions and irrigation will be provided from current revenues. It has also been possible to set aside a part of the revenue for the reduction of the State debt, thus helping to lighten the burden of interest on foreign loans. The finances of the country are in a condition of assured stability. The law on family registration is found to involve a question of greater difficulty than at first expected. A workable principle as a basis has now been reached and the measure only awaits final consideration.

"AMERICAN INDIANS" IN SIBERIA.**NEVER HEARD OF MURDER OR THEFT.**

MOSCOW (U.P.).—Efforts are being made by the authorities to save from extinction a nomadic tribe of "American Indians" in Siberia, which has already dwindled to 400 souls.

This tribe, known as Karagas, was discovered some years ago in the Turan district of Siberia. In appearance, language and customs they resemble so closely the Red Indians of North America that leading Russian anthropologists were convinced of their American origin.

A recent investigator reports that the tribe has such a high death rate that it has only a few more generations of life. The government has therefore set aside a large tract where no other tribes will be permitted to hunt. It is hoped that these exclusive "happy hunting grounds" will increase the material prosperity and in consequence the longevity of the Karagas. A hospital has also been established for their use.

Perhaps the most extraordinary single fact reported about these "strayed" Indians is that crime is entirely unknown among them. It is said that they have never heard of murder or theft.

The Soviet government's railroad construction programme calls for the laying of 19,000 kilometers of tracks in the next five years—that is, by October 1st, 1932—at a cost of 9,400,000,000 rubles. The network of railroads will not only extend existing lines, but open immense tracts of country now practically cut off. In some instances parallel roads will be built to take care of increasingly heavy traffic. Lumber and other resources now unavailable because of lack of transportation will be released if the plans are carried out, for domestic and foreign use.

CRICKET NOTES.

THE SEASON DRAWS TO A CLOSE.

With the final destiny of both Shields decided, the cricket season of 1928-29 draws slowly to its close. The only matter that remains to be decided in the Senior Division is the order of the teams, and it is certain that the Civil Service will be last. Whether they will be "bracketed" last remains to be seen, and depends on the result of the last match to be played by Craigengower. I understand this is against the I.R.C., and the best that the C.C.C. can hope to do, in reason, is to draw.

The Civil Service up to a point last Saturday did very well. They managed to get the Gunners out for 55, thanks very largely to a fine bowling performance by Baker who during and after the War was in the Gunners himself. Ling managed his bowling excellently but then the old weakness of the C.S. asserted itself. Three fours were hit in the first two overs, and then Evans was bowled by a beauty from Musson. Wallington was yanked first ball and Baker fell a few runs later. Hamilton got his first ball away for a four, then came four byes and two short singles, and then Musson bowled Hamilton. At this point 32 was on the board for 4 wickets. But instead of having a bang or trying short singles, most of the rest of the batsmen appeared utterly paralysed. 8 were down for 35! Then Kelly did the right thing and swiped a couple of fours and Ling edged one. But Musson was bowling too steadily to be knocked off his length and the Civil Service were beaten by 5 runs. *Sui Jacrymque, return!* But next season, if there is a League, it will teach them to take a good deal of trouble over their fixtures and fix them late (indeed after the Easter season, as Sayer, Wood, and de Rome will not be back until then, and as far as one can see no one is going on leave.

As to the question of relegation to the Second League, I presume that remains to be settled by the combined wisdom of the League Meeting. Last year University II. did not come up. Next season, the H.K.C.C. quite conceivably will not enter their first team as they will have their hands full with arrangements and trials for the Inter-port.

The Future.

And that raises the interesting question of what is going to happen next November. It is, I understand, reasonably certain, barring unforeseen accidents such as "Civil Commotion" or more trouble in China, that our old friends from Shanghai will be coming down to see us again. It is, of course, far too early to hazard any guess at their strength. I hope, however, to produce information on this in September or October next, all going well. As regards our own position it is also a bit early to be prophesying, but I cannot help thinking we ought to have a pretty useful team. Quick, of course, will not be with us, (unless he comes down for Shanghai) and I fear that the K.O.S.B.'s will have departed. We shall miss Dobbie and Maxwell look like a pretty useful man to have on the side. The new recruit—the Gloucesters I hear—will probably provide some talent and I know of at least one very good man in the Somerset. The civilian nucleus will consist of Bruce, Penrice, Wales, Owen Hughes and Hancock. But as I said, it is early days yet!

The Second Division.

Only one League match was played in this division and I must congratulate the R.A.O.C. most heartily on beating the University second eleven, which is 8th in the League Table, but has two more matches to go and will probably finish up ahead of Beere 7 matches consecutively refused to be discouraged and turned up smiling in their eighth match to make 135 and beat their strong opponents by 32 runs. A gallant performance, which I trust will lead them to fresh efforts in their next four matches.

Friendlies.

There were runs galore on the H.K.C.C. ground last Saturday. I gather the bowling of Hancock's team was not very deadly. Hayward and Owen Hughes both helped themselves pretty freely. For Hancock's side, Station hit very hard and subsequently Maxwell, who has just joined the K.O.S.B. from the depot, hit with tremendous power and gave the spectators a real treat. Not only does he drive "blooming hard and blooming often," but he hits a kicking horse. I should not like to field over close in to him. Duncan, a greatly improved bat, got 28 and Hancock played out time with Dobbie.

Recreio beat Craigengower playing at King's Park, a good performance. The Diocesan Boys School ran up 176 and decisively beat the Electric H.O. team. A low scoring game on the Police ground ended in the visitors, the Civil Service, getting home by 18 runs.

Only two games are down for tomorrow in the League. The University will I rather think have the better of the Gunners unless Leach. (Continued at foot of next column.)

THE LAST TEST MATCH.

LEYLAND AND TATE DO WELL.

AUSTRALIA'S TASK.

(THROUGH BROTHER'S AGENCY.)

MELBOURNE, March 14th.

The last Test Match was left in an extremely interesting position at the conclusion of Thursday's play, for Australia have to face the task of getting 379 runs for victory in the last innings, on a pitch which is clearly showing very decided signs of wear and tear.

When the match was continued this morning in cloudy weather the pitch was very difficult and the ball was bumping and coming very fast off the ground. Larwood fell a victim to Wall when only one run had been added, but then Hammond joined Hobbs and the score mounted steadily in spite of all difficulties. The 50 was reached in 50 minutes off a smick by Hobbs when Wall was bowling and afterwards the rate of scoring increased still further. When Hobbs had reached 43, Hammond tried to cut a rising ball on the off and gave an easy catch to Ryder at second slip.

Narrow Escapes.

With a boundary off Grimmett, Hobbs reached his 50 after 86 minutes, and soon afterwards he had some thrilling escapes when he was attempting short singles. On two different occasions the wicket was thrown down, but each time Hobbs just managed to get safely home. The 100 was reached in 94 minutes and lunch was taken 11 runs later. Hobbs being 58 and Tyldesley 17.

The sun came out and 42,000 spectators assembled during the interval. Three wickets fell quickly after play was resumed, Hobbs being the first to go from an easy catch to second slip. His 63 included six 4's. Hendren followed but was clean bowled when playing forward to Grimmett, and then Tyldesley was caught at the wicket off a bumping ball.

A Stand.

Then followed the biggest stand of the innings, Leyland and Tate putting on 81 runs before they were separated. When Leyland had scored 6 he gave a hard chance to Ryder off Wall's bowling, while Tate at 27 was nearly caught at long on by Bradman, but apart from these no chances were given. Tate started slowly, but nevertheless reached his 50 in 52 minutes, while his innings lasted 55 minutes in all. It was a bright display of plucky hitting and included no less than eight 4's. The tea interval was taken soon after his dismissal, Leyland being 29 and Geary 1.

25,000 spectators were present to see the end of the English innings, when Leyland alone was able to resist the bowlers. Geary was bowled when Leyland was 30. While followed when he had raised his score to 36, and then Duckworth kept his end up until he had reached 53. Leyland's brave innings lasted for 140 minutes, and included six 4's. The complete English innings lasted for 236 minutes.

Wall was bowling extremely well for the Australians, and came through the innings with excellent figures. There was a lot of speed in his deliveries and he kept a beautiful length.

Oldfield and Hornbrook were sent in to play out time at the end of the day, but after 7 runs had been scored without loss an appeal against the light was allowed.

Score:—

England—1st Innings.	
Hobbs, l.b.w. b Ryder	142
D. R. Jardine, c Oldfield, b Wall	19
Hammond, c Fairfax, b Hammond	38
Tyldesley, c Hornbrook, b Ryder	31
Duckworth, c Fairfax, b Hornbrook	12
Hendren, c Hornbrook, b Fairfax	95
Leyland, c Fairfax, b Oxenham	137
Larwood, b Wall	4
Geary, b Hornbrook	4
Tate, c sub. b Hornbrook	15
J. O. White, not out	9
Extras	13
Total	519

Fall of the wickets:—
1/84; 2/143; 3/235; 4/240;
5/360; 6/401; 7/409; 8/428; 9/470;
10/519.

Bowling Analysis.	
O.	M.
Wall	49
Hornbrook	48
Oxenham	45
Grimmett	25
Fairfax	27
Ryder	18
Kippax	13
Extras	13

(Continued on next column.)

Musson and Col. Christians come off a score of 55 will not be enough. The Police and R.A.S.C. should have a close game. There are various friendlies but none of outstanding interest.

R. ABBIT.

BOXING IN HAWAII.

LARGE ARENA TO BE ERECTED.

Honolulu (U.P.)—Hawaii fight "fans" whose only entertainment heretofore along this line has been the amateur four-round fighting in army and navy circles, are now whetting their appetites for some first rate coolidge shows, since ex-President Coolidge signed the bill permitting boxing in Hawaii.

There has been much discussion of who will run the fighting business on the islands, and there is every likelihood that the territorial legislature now in session will adopt local laws to govern. In the meantime plans are under way for the construction of "Houston Arena," the name coming from Victor S. K. Houston, Hawaii delegate who succeeded in obtaining the passage of the boxing bill in congress.

Plans for this arena have been sponsored by the Honolulu Athletic Club, an organization which has existed since 1918. The club was organized when it was first anticipated that boxing would be permitted in the islands.

An Amateur Association.

During the long wait for congress to approve of 10-round boxing, the club remained alive, maintaining its status as an amateur organization with club teams in local athletic activities. Now the directors of the organization plan building an arena with a seating capacity of 4,000—4,500 bleacher seats and 1,500 chairs or ring-side seats. A wooden floor will be set up in the centre large enough to accommodate basketball and tennis courts.

William Lederer, founder of Honolulu Athletic Club, plans to stage at least one good smacker monthly, he declared. Fighters will be obtained from those travelling between the United States and the Philippines and Australia, who will find it convenient to stop here, and from talent brought directly from the mainland.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON v. CHINA ATHLETIC.

The following will represent the Kowloon XI v. Chinese Athletic on Hong Kong Club ground tomorrow in the Shield Competition, kick off at 4.35 p.m.:—
Angus; Guest; Piel; Dowman; Easterbrook; Bliss; Eastman; Hedley; Morgan; McKelvie; Miles.
Reserves: Spary; Hart.

Australia—1st Innings.

W. M. Woodfull, c Geary	102
Larwood	30
A. Jackson, run out	30
A. F. Kippax, c Duckworth, b White	38
J. Ryder, c Tate, b Hammond	30
D. Bradman, Tate, b Geary	132
A. C. Fairfax, l.b.w. b Geary	65
W. A. Oldfield, c and b Geary	6
E. M. Oxenham, c Duckworth, b Geary	7
C. V. Grimmett, not out	38
T. Wall, c Duckworth, b Geary	9
P. M. Hornbrook, l.b.w. b White	23
Extras	17
Total	491

Fall of the wickets:—
1/54; 2/143; 3/203; 4/203; 5/338;
6/389; 7/409; 8/420; 9/433; 10/481.

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Larwood	34	7	33
Tate	62	23	108
Geary	81	26	105
White	75	22	138
Hammond	16	3	31
Leyland	3	0	11

England—2nd Innings.

Hobbs, c Fairfax, b Grimmett	63
D. R. Jardine, c Oldfield, b Wall	0
Larwood, b Wall	11
Hammond, c Ryder, b Fairfax	16
Tyldesley, c Oldfield, b Wall	21
Hendren, b Grimmett	53
Leyland, not out	53
Tate, c Fairfax, b Hornbrook	54
Geary, b Wall	3
J. O. White, c Oxenham, b Wall	4
Duckworth, l.b.w. b Oxenham	9
Extras	20
Total	257

Fall of the wickets:—
1/1; 2/19; 3/75; 4/119; 5/123;
6/131; 7/219; 8/217; 9/231; 10/257.

Bowling Analysis.

6/131; 7/212; 8/217; 9/231; 10/			
BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
	O.	M.	R.
Wall	20	5	66
Hornbrook	19	5	51
Fairfax	7	0	20
Grimmett	24	7	66
Oxenham	10.3	1	34

Australia—2nd Innings.

W. A. Oldfield, not out	6
P. M. Hornbrook, not out	1
Total	7

HOME FOOTBALL.

SCOTTISH CUP SEMI-FINAL DRAW.

MOTHERWELL ELIMINATED.

RANGERS AND CELTIC FOR THE FINAL?

Motherwell's hopes for the Scottish Cup were destroyed in their defeat by Celtic in the fourth round replay on Wednesday. Celtic are fortunate in the semi-final draw, as they are to meet Kilmarnock instead of the all-powerful Rangers, whose opponents are St. Mirren. Looking at the teams it would seem that the Rangers and Celtic will again meet in the final.

Several matches in the English League were also decided on Wednesday, when the meeting between two teams who shared the points during the week-end resulted in another draw, Portsmouth doing well in taking a point from Blackburn Rovers. Another defeat was sustained by the Villa at Newcastle. Chelsea lost to Nottingham.

The draw for the semi-final round of the Scottish Cup and results of the mid-week matches are as under:—

THE SCOTTISH CUP.

SEMI-FINAL DRAW.

Kilmarnock	v. Celtic	at Ibrox Park, Glasgow.
*Rangers	v. St. Mirren	at Hampden Park, Glasgow.
Matches to be played on March 23rd.		
Fourth Round Replay.		
Motherwell	1	Celtic

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.	
Birmingham	1
Newcastle	2
Portsmouth	2
Liverpool	2
West Ham	1
Division II.	
Nottingham	3
Reading	3
Wolves	0
Division III. (Southern).	
Brentford	0
Bournemouth	0
Division III. (Northern).	
Chesterfield	1
Carlisle	2

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

The following is the programme of football matches for to-morrow in the English League and Division I. of the Scottish League:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.	
Division I.	
Arsenal	v. Cardiff
Birmingham	v. Liverpool
Blackburn	v. Sheffield U.
Bolton	v. Manchester U.
Derby	v. Aston Villa
Everton	v. Burnley
Huddersfield	v. Newcastle
Manchester C.	v. West Ham
Portsmouth	v. Leeds U.
Wednesday	v. Leicester
Sunderland	v. Bury
Division II.	
Barnsley	v. Notts O.
Blackpool	v. Southampton
Bradford	v. Middlesbrough
Bristol C.	v. Millwall
Chelsea	v. Wolves
Clapton	v. Tottenham
Grimsby	v. Preston
Notts For.	v. Port Vale
Stoke	v. Reading
Swansea	v. Oldham
West Brom.	v. Hull
Division III. (Southern).	
Bournemouth	v. Watford
Brentford	v. Walsall
Brighton	v. Plymouth
Charlton	v. Torquay
Coventry	v. Crystal Pal.
Exeter	v. Fulham
Luton	v. Newport
Northampton	v. Bristol R.
Northwich	v. Swindon
Southend	v. Gillingham
Queen's P.R.	v. Queens P.R.
Division III. (Northern).	
Ashington	v. Carlisle
Barrow	v. Accrington
Chesterfield	v. Bradford C.
Darlington	v. Crewe
Doncaster	v. Hartlepool
Kelso	v. Halifax
New Brighton	v. Stockport
Rochdale	v. Tranmere
Southport	v. Rotherham
South Shields	v. Rotherham
Wrexham	v. Lincoln

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.	
Airdrie	v. Raith
Ayr	v. Partick
Celtic	v. Aberdeen
Cowdenbeath	v. St. Johnstone
Dundee	v. Clyde
Hibernians	v. Hamilton
Motherwell	v. Hearts
Queen's Park	v. Kilmarnock
Rangers	v. Falkirk
St. Mirren	v. Third Lanark

LAWN TENNIS.

S. A. RUMJAHN TO MEET McEACHRAN.

E. C. FINCHER ENTERS 4th ROUND.

S. A. Rumjahn and E. C. Fincher, two of the favourites in the Open Singles Championship of the Colony, were successful in their matches yesterday, beating Luk Ding Cheung and R. M. Henderson respectively. Both won without much opposition and now enter the fourth round.

The former conceded three games in each of the three sets. His opponent put up a brave fight although obviously playing a losing game. The Chinese player was probably affected by the importance of the match, as his shots lacked force and he did not show much knowledge of court craft. Yesterday's match was no criterion of Rumjahn's form as he had matters much his own way, but in his next appearance, which will be against McEachran next Friday, the Indian will be up against somebody of his own standard, and a fine match is expected.

E. C. Fincher had an even easier match against Henderson, losing only four games in the three sets. He now meets H. Lo in the fourth round.

Sowell met Valentine in the Club Championship and had the better of the exchanges, winning by 6-1, 6-2.

RESULTS.

The detailed results follow:—

Open Singles.

3rd Round.

S. A. Rumjahn beat Luk Ding Cheung, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

E. C. Fincher beat R. M. Henderson, 6-0, 6-4, 6-0.

Club Championship.

G. W. Sewell beat B. E. Valentine, 6-1, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "A."

A. Piercy (rec. 5/8) beat C. H. Bradley (rec. 4/8), 6-3, 6-4.

Handicap Doubles.

G. N. de Man and C. Stigter (rec. 4/8) beat H. Graves and C. L. Sanders (rec. 15), 8-6, 8-4.

H. J. Armstrong and J. G. Lawrie (owe 4/8) beat A. Reid and J. A. Summers (rec. 3/8), 8-3, 5-7, 6-3.

C. W. E. Bishop and W. Woodward (rec. 4/8) beat R. P. Woodie and M. D. Scott (rec. 3/8), 6-3, 6-2.

Very Rev. Dean Swann and Rev. H. V. Koop (scr.) beat W. J. Clark and E. D. Black (rec. 4/8), 6-0, 6-2.

Mixed Doubles.

E. R. Price and Miss Moffat (rec. 4/8) beat L. Col. and Mrs. Wyatt (owe 15), 7-5, 6-2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Club Championship.

G. W. Sewell v. L. Col. Wyatt.

Handicap Singles "A."

W. L. Dunbar (scr.) v. L. D. Smith (rec. 2/8).

D. H. Hazell (owe 15/1) v. J. A. Summers (rec. 2/6).

J. R. Lawrie (owe 3/8) v. H. V. Parker (rec. 2/6).

Handicap Singles "B."

J. M. Norris (rec. 4/8) v. W. A. Stewart (rec. 8/8).

E. J. R. Mitchell (owe 5/8) v. A. H. Penn (rec. 2/6).

Mixed Doubles.

L. Forster and Mrs. Stark (owe 15) v. J. Barrow and Miss Hancock (rec. 3/6).

CINEMA NEWS.

"SILK LEGS" AT THE QUEEN'S.

Phil Taylor's slogan, "All's fair in love and business," brings on his head the wrath of a saleswoman in "Silk Legs," which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday and Monday.

Madge Bellamy gives a vivid impersonation of the saleswoman and James Hall gives a good account of himself as the egotistical salesman, Phil Taylor.

Billy Dean.

On Sunday and Monday next during all performances at the Queen's Theatre, an added attraction will be Billy Dean, comedian, assisted by Topsy Lee, in a number of popular Lancashire songs. The artists have appeared in England having recently completed a successful provincial tour with Moss Empires, Ltd.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 250 METRES.

1.45 p.m.—Weather report.

5.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese music (Victor records supplied by Messrs. Music World Co.).

7.45 p.m.—Evening weather report.

8 p.m.—Evening programme (Victor and H.M.V. records supplied by Messrs. B. Moutrie Co.).

10.10 p.m.—News bulletin.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

H.K. ROPE COMPANY ANNUAL MEETING.

NO DIVIDEND YET.

THE CONCERN IN A SOUND POSITION.

Mr. R. G. Shewan, Chairman, presided yesterday over the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., which was held at St. George's building in the office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., the general managers.

Addressing the meeting, the chairman said:—Before we commence the ordinary business of the meeting, it is fitting that I should refer to the loss which we have suffered through the death of our friend and colleague, Mr. H. P. White, who served on this Board for many years. He was a man of fine disposition, straightforward

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Jenis Brooks, son of Mrs. John T. Brooks, 1244 H. Street, Modesto, Calif., U.S.A., suffered with typhoid fever, for two weeks under physician's and nurse's care—grew steadily worse. Mother becomes alarmed over safety of her son and is induced to try the POO ON CHINESE HERBS TREATMENT for Typhoid. Result—Instant relief and absolute cure in short time. Mrs. Brooks said:—

"My boy Jenis was in bed suffering from fever and chills, he was treated by physicians for two weeks with what they called typhoid fever, he could not eat and had severe pains in the stomach; delirious, stomach was bloated; he was kept in ice packs and rubber ice mattress and attended by a trained nurse; he did not show any improvement but became worse so other doctors were called in for consultation. They all insisted on removing boy to the hospital, and did not give much hope for his recovery.

"I was recommended and insisted upon by Mrs. De Lemos to try the POO ON CHINESE HERB Treatment, as she had been cured of a complication of diseases by them.

"I made up my mind to give the POO ON CHINESE HERBS a trial; after the first day's treatment the fever was very much reduced and he began to have an appetite and slept well at night.

"After five days' treatment the fever was cured and after a few more treatments the boy was absolutely well and playing around the yard and eating heartily, and was able to go back to school, and feels as well as he ever did.

Mrs. G. A. Bayes says:—"I am Positive That Poo On Chinese Herbs and Ointment Saved My Child's Eyesight Because I tried Several Eye Specialists Before Going To Poo On. The Cure Was Simply Wonderful and I Am Very Grateful.

Mrs. G. A. Bayes, 911, Third Street, Modesto, Calif., U.S.A., says:—

"My little girl, 8 years old, in some way contracted a disease of the eye that was gradually making her blind. I immediately took her to an eye specialist for treatment, but there seemed no way to stop the approaching pain and blindness. I also tried a specialist in

Stockton, and Modesto. She finally grew so bad that I had to keep her in a darkened room. I kept her under constant care in the darkened room for nearly two months. A friend then told me about the Herbalist, Yee Poo Lun, and the Poo On Chinese Herb Treatment. I had no faith in treatment of this kind, as I have tried so many kinds of treatments and doctors in vain, but in desperation I decided to try the Poo On Chinese Herbs. At this time water was running from her eyes excessively. I gave her the Poo On Chinese Herbs, an ointment, and some wash. At the end of a week the matter running from the eyes stopped and almost at once a marked improvement took place. She continued to improve very fast and her eyes began to clear up. A short while after I started giving her the Poo On Herbs she was entirely cured from this disease and her eyes were back to normal so that she should see as good as ever. I am certainly thankful to the Herbs and the Herbalist and am positive that Poo On Herbs Absolutely cured my child's eyes.

Thousands suffering from catarrh, bronchial and lung trouble, throaty cough, asthma, hay fever, malaria, stomach trouble, indigestion, constipation, gastritis, piles, diarrhoea, fistula, heart disease, eczema, scrofula, female trouble, nervousness, insomnia, obesity, kidney, bladder trouble, Bright's disease, diabetes, rheumatism, neuralgia, dropsy, pyorrhea, epileptic fits, paralysis, tumors, ulcer, pimples, dizziness, headaches, and many other chronic diseases, have been restored to health and happiness without poisonous drugs or the knife, by the Poo On Chinese Herbs.

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Money and Markets

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations at yesterday's local market for rice, sugar and other foodstuffs were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Green Double Lions, Unglutinous	\$7.03
Green Seal, Old	6.95
Green Chrysanthemum	7.27
Red Lion	7.21
Blue Lion	7.23
Red Seal	7.23
Red Seal, Broken	5.90
Hung Ching Sin, Glutinous	8.08
Green Dragon	8.17
Red Horse	7.77
Ching Hung Sin, Broken	6.37
Glutinous	6.53
Red Pearl, Broken	5.81
Red Pearl, No. 1 Broken	5.81
Red Peony	7.86

Sugar.	Per Picul.
No. 13, Coarse Powdered	\$7.83
No. 24, Coarse Powdered	8.03
Java Brown	7.03
Miscellaneous.	
Green Bean, Sunsheng	\$ 8.60
Soy Bean, Tung Kiang	6.80
Black Bean, Newchwang	6.10
Black Bean, Chingyan	6.70
Aniseed	17.80
Dried Lily	48.00
Data preserved with honey	82.00
Green Flax	98.30
Dried Mushroom	490.00
Dried Lotus Seeds	32.00

CANTON COTTON YARN MARKET.

SHARP RISE IN PRICES.

A telegram from Shanghai, dated the 13th, states that Chinese cotton yarn prices have gone up by half a tael. The Canton market on Wednesday morning was rather slack but sales were better in the afternoon. Cotton yarns of various varieties are in demand and during the last two days prices have risen sharply. On Wednesday, quotations of No. 29 cotton yarn rose four dollars higher and cotton yarn a similar amount. Prices of other varieties have also risen by two dollars.

Quotations on Wednesday's market were as follows:—

No. 6 Lion	\$204
Lion, No. 2	190
But. Hou	180
No. 10 Sailing Vessel	266
Golden City	265
Peacock	268
Lotus and Bee	258
Double Lions	260
Five Lions	260
Yan Chung	264
Tai Fat	262
Tak Lee	261
Excellent Crops	247
No. 12 Golden City	264
Peacock	265
Poo Kwai	263
Poo Yee	263
Tramcar	278
Pretty Damsel	268
Aeroplane	261
Tak Lee	260
No. 16 Globe	305
Poo Kwai	302
Coiling Dragon	300
No. 20 Golden City	325
Globe	322
Good Harvest	328
Fui Sing	328
Double Horses	328
Tin Koon	324
Double Elephants	303
Xg Kook	312
Yan Chung	324
Tramcar	324
Shepherd	318
Po Yee	280
Three Stars	322
No. 22 Pagoda	478
Double Horses	472
Tin Koon	454
Pine Tree and Deer	462
Sheung Hee	462
No. 42 Five Sons	600
Butterfly	602
Sheung Hee	600

RISE IN PRICE OF COTTON YARN IN KWELIN.

Prices of cotton yarn have risen in Kwelin on account of river transportation difficulties for supplies from Canton via Wuchow. The prices are likely to rise still higher in the future as there has been a big demand. Latest quotations of cotton yarn in that locality were as follows:—

	per bundle.
Ng Fook, Fine	\$3.50
Golden City	8.25
Double Hands	9.00
Peacock, Coarse	8.00
Pretty Damsel	7.70
Golden City	6.50

THE CHARTERED BANK.

PROPOSED DIVIDEND.

The following telegram has been received in Hong Kong from the Head Office of the Chartered Bank in London:—"At the approaching meeting of shareholders, the Directors will recommend a dividend for the past half-year at the rate of 14 per cent. per annum free of income-tax; and a bonus of 6/3 per share free of income-tax. £40,000 is set aside to meet contingencies, and £196,000 3/8 carried forward."

CANTON FOOD MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations for sugar, flour, and bean on Wednesday's Canton market were as follows:—

Sugar.	
No. 22 coarse powdered	\$12.50
No. 18 coarse powdered	11.70
No. 20 coarse powdered	11.80
Flour.	
Gunboat	4.92
Golden Ox	4.12
Cabbage	4.48
Mak Lan	4.08

Bean.	
White, Ching Kwang Pak	9.15
Soy Bean, Tai To Wong	8.85
Soy, Dairen, New Golden	
Yellow	9.30
Soy, Ko Chu Wong	9.00
Soy, Tientsin	9.20
Black, Ching Yan	8.50
Green, Pak Mien	10.70
Green, Sun Sheng Luk	9.35
Green, Nanking	8.50
Green, Newchwang	7.98
Green, Nantai	9.40
Scarlet	10.07

CANTON OIL MARKET.

Owing to the rise of purchase price and the shortage of supplies, the price of groundnut oil is advancing. The stocks of camellia nut oil are low, and as there is a sharp demand, the price has risen by one tael. The supply of wood-tar oil is also limited and the market is dull though prices are firm. The bean oil market is steady.

Quotations at Wednesday's market were as follows:—

Groundnut Oil, Fong Tse ... \$25.50

Groundnut Oil, Ching Hsu ... 24.80

Camellia-nut Oil ... 21.10

Wood-tar Oil ... 30.00

Bean Oil ... 18.05

WUCHOW RICE MARKET.

The rice market in Wuchow is still dull, but the exchange rate is not so high and there are signs of improvement. Latest quotations of rice in Wuchow were as follows:—

	Per Picul.
Sishan	\$16.60
Kiangshou	15.30
Pellin	16.00
Pingnan	15.50
Tai Ping	15.50
Tungshien	15.40
Kiangshien	16.20
Yunkiang, Coarse	14.25
Wangchow, Coarse	13.85
Tahui, Coarse	14.70
Wuhu	12.90
Nanpa	12.90
Tongquin	13.90
Maka, Glutinous	14.10
Kweishien Big Glutinous	13.50
Fuhg	16.20

METALS.

Messrs. Pentreath & Co., have handed us the following letter dated February 14th from Messrs. Hornby, Hemslryk & Co., Liverpool:—

COPPER.

The Standard market may be considered to have become normal now that there is a discount for cash metal in place of the premium which has been in force for so long. Important tonnage attracted to United Kingdom warehouses by the heavy premium which has ruled for cash metal, combined with the increase in the bank rate, are points mainly responsible for the disappearance of the discount.

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The situation is much healthier, and although stocks in the United Kingdom warehouses at the end of the month are likely to show a marked increase, the parity of Standard at \$7 per ton, below electro is, in itself, considered too wide. Meantime, reports from the United States are very strong, last week's domestic sales alone totaling 45,000 short tons, and values have been raised to 18.25 cents per lb. c.i.f. Europe.

The American January statistics are certainly of a bullish nature, and it would not be surprising to find selling prices advanced still further, in which case Standard values will inevitably respond.

STRAITS RUBBER AMALGAMATION.

FOUR COMPANIES TO JOIN FORCES.

The Straits Times announce the proposed amalgamation of four leading rubber companies in Malaya, the conclusion of which will form one of the biggest combines of its kind in the country. The companies concerned are the Allenby Rubber Co., Ltd., the Balgownie Rubber Estates, Ltd., Connamara, Ltd., and the Kundong Rubber Estate, Ltd., and the directors of each company have submitted proposals for amalgamation to their shareholders. These are in similar terms, and it is sufficient to quote from that issued by Harrison, Barker and Co., Ltd., as secretaries of the Kundong Estate.

The new company, if formed, will be called Connamara United, Ltd., and the first directors will be Mr. Eric Macfarlane, Mr. R. C. M. Kinderley and Mr. C. Ritchie.

It is pointed out that the Kundong board has given its careful consideration to the question of amalgamation with other companies and the proposals put forward about a year ago, which received the strong support of shareholders, would have been carried into effect had it not been considered by the board desirable to withdraw them in view of the collapse in the rubber market following on the unexpected decision to discontinue the restriction scheme. The effect of that decision has been a fall in values with the resulting necessity for more competitive production, which has considerably strengthened the case for amalgamation.

Conditional Agreement.

As a result of negotiations with the directors of Allenby Rubber Co., Ltd., the Balgownie Rubber Estates, Ltd., and Connamara, Ltd., a conditional agreement has been entered into for the amalgamation of the undertakings of the four companies. It is proposed that the amalgamation will be effected by means of the formation of a new company in London to be called Connamara United, Ltd., which will acquire the undertakings of the four amalgamating companies as on and from January 1st, 1929. Valuations of estates of the four companies were made, on the joint instructions of the four boards, by Mr. J. A. Brown last December and the terms of the amalgamation are based on his valuations and the value of the liquid assets (over liabilities) of each company as on December 31st, 1928.

Mr. Brown's valuations based on the crops estimated by him for the seven years 1929-1935 and on an arbitrary selling price of 50 cents per lb. are as follows after taking into account certain adjustments necessary as a result of survey and to cover special allowances for budgeted clearings belonging to Balgownie:—

Allenby	\$1,289,981
Balgownie	1,108,758
Connamara	1,140,057
Kundong	1,007,144
Total	\$4,545,940

In order to capitalise the new company on a conservative basis it was unanimously decided by the directors of the four companies that the total valuation so arrived at should be scaled down to \$1,600,584, being approximately \$235 per planted acre, and that there should be added to the scaled down total the liquid assets (over liabilities) of each company as at December 31st.

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HONG KONG VOLUNTEER
DEFENCE CORPS.

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.S.O.,
D.B.E., COMMANDANT.]

No. 11/29.

1.—Efficiency.

All Officers Commanding units
will arrange to check their records
with the Adjutant at an early date
for the Training Year 1928-29.

2.—Arms.

Rifles and bayonets are to be kept
at either Corps or Platoon Head-
quarters, all those who have not
returned their rifles and bayonets
will do so at once.

3.—Musketry.

The Battery and Reserve Com-
pany will fire Table "T" at Stone-
cutters Range on Sunday, March
17th, 1929.

Range Officer: Lieut. C. P. An-
derson, M.C.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier
at 8 a.m., and call at Kowloon Pier
at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Musketry Order, i.e.,
rifle, belt, bayonet, braces, pouches
or bandoliers. Uniform or mufti
optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps
Headquarters on Friday, March
15th, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon,
2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and
on Saturday, March 16th, between 9
a.m. and 1 p.m.

4.—Corps Rifle Meeting.

The Corps Rifle Meeting will
take place at Stonecutters Range
on March 31st and April 1st, 1929.
(Easter Sunday and Easter Mon-
day)

RIFLE MEETING COMMITTEE.

At the Meeting on February 28th,
1929, the following Rifle Meeting
Committee was elected:—President:
Major S. J. Jordan, M.C.; Secre-
taries: C. S. M. H. Green and P. M.
Thornhill; Lieut. A. Mackenzie, and
L/Sergt. D. M. Richards.

The dates and order of events will
be as follows:—

(Approximate times of Firing).
Sunday, March 31st, 1929:—
9.00 a.m. Blake Shield.
9.00 a.m. Francis Cup.
9.00 p.m. Attack Competition.
3.30 p.m. Reserve Competition.
3.45 p.m. Jar Competition.

Monday, April 1st, 1929:—
9.00 a.m. Corps Championship.
9.00 a.m. Tyre Competition.
11.00 a.m. Musketry Competition.

Revolver Competition, Corps and
all Comers, will be fired both days,
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March
31st, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on
Monday, April 1st, 1929.

Entries:—Intending Competitors
must send in their names accom-
panied by entrance fees, not later
than noon, Monday, March 25th, to
the Hon. Secretary, Rifle Meeting,
Volunteer Headquarters.

Competitors will make their own
arrangements for tiffin. The Can-
teen will be in attendance.

Programmes have been sent to all
Officers, Warrant Officers and Ser-
geants on March 12th, 1929.

Programmes can be obtained on
application at Volunteer Head-
quarters.

5.—Corps Band.

The Band will parade in the
Lecture Room for Band Practice as
usual on Tuesday, March 19th, at
5.30 p.m. in mufti. Those who wish
to have instruction in Musketry will
parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.
on Fridays, March 15th and 22nd,
1929.

6.—The Battery.

Musketry. All ranks are remind-
ed that Table "T" will be fired at
Stonecutters Range on Sunday,
March 17th, 1929. Those who have
not fired on January 27th, 1929, are
requested to attend. See Order No. 3
above.

7.—Engineer Company and Corps
Signals.

Musketry. All ranks are remind-
ed that Table "T" will be fired at
Stonecutters Range on Sunday,
March 24th, 1929. Those who have
not fired on February 3rd, 1929, are
requested to attend.

8.—Mounted Infantry Company.

Thursday, March 21st. Parade at
Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.
for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress:
Mufti.

9.—Armoured Car Company.

CAR SECTION.
There will be a meeting of
N.C.O.'s at Volunteer Headquarters
at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, March 15th,
1929. All N.C.O.'s should attend.

MOTOR CYCLE SECTION.
Sunday, March 17th. The Peak
Range has been allotted to Motor
Cycle Section for firing practice,
commencing at 9.30 a.m. It is
hoped that all ranks will do their
utmost to attend. Range Officer:
2/Lieut. R. K. Valentine.

Monday, March 18th. There will
be a meeting of all ranks in the
Lecture Room at 5.30 p.m. at Corps
Headquarters, to discuss the train-
ing programme. All should attend.

10.—Machine Gun Company.

The Company will parade at
Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on
Tuesday, March 19th, in mufti for
Machine Gun Training, with the
exception of those members of No. 4
Section detailed for M.G. Part I.
Latter will parade at 5.15 p.m.
under Lieut. J. Norrie-Owen and
proceed by Ford Truck to Kennedy
Road Range on next.

(Continued on next Column).

TEA IN MALAYA.

TO BE GROWN ON LARGE
SCALE.

Kuala Lumpur, March 7th:—
Some months ago it was announced
that the F.M.S. Government had
agreed to alienate to Mr. A. B.
Milne, the well-known planter, a
large tract of land in the vicinity
of Cameron's Highlands for the
purpose of planting tea.

I now understand on very good
authority, writes a Straits Times
correspondent, that Messrs. T. A.
Russell and Co. have entered into
an agreement with Mr. A. B.
Milne for the latter to open up a
large estate the area of which
would be not less than 5,000 acres.
Work, I understand, has already
begun and coffee arabica might be
planted together with the tea.

REORGANISATION.

For the forthcoming training ses-
sion the Company will be divided
into 4 Sections Nos. 1/4 instead of
2 Platoons as before. Full particu-
lars will be posted on Company
Notice Board at Headquarters, and
also issued to all N.C.O.'s.

11.—Scottish Company.

Thursday, March 21st. Platoons
will parade at 5.30 p.m. for
Machine Gun Instruction. Dress:
Mufti, as follows:—

Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons at Corps
Headquarters.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock.

12.—Portuguese Company.

ARMS.
All rifles must be returned to
Corps Stores immediately.

PARADES.
All Company Competitions will
be completed by April 19th. Com-
mencing Friday, March 15th, all
parades will be utilised in prepara-
tion, viz., March 15th, 22nd, 29th,
and April 5th.

Attendance is one of the essen-
tials in all the Competitions and
the sequence of training will depend
upon numbers on Parade.

13.—Reserve Company.

Thursday, March 21st. Parade at
Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for
Machine Gun Instruction. Dress:
Mufti.

Musketry. All ranks are remind-
ed that Table "T" will be fired at
Stonecutters on Sunday, March
17th.

Those who have not fired on
January 27th, 1929, are requested
to attend. See Order No. 3 above.

14.—Strength.

The following recruits have been
taken on the strength and posted
as under:—

No. 1454 Pte. J. B. Sturgeon,
No. 6 Platoon, as from March 7th,
1929.

No. 1455 Pte. W. Harris-Walker,
No. 6 Platoon, as from March
7th, 1929.

No. 1456 Pte. D. M. Mac-
Dougall, No. 1 Section, M.G. Co.,
as from March 11th, 1929.

No. 1457 Pte. R. W. D. Danby,
No. 1 Section, M.G. Co., as from
March 12th, 1929.

No. 1458 Pte. W. C. Hung, M.G.
Co., as from March 13th, 1929.

15.—Transfer.

Capt. K. S. Morrison is trans-
ferred to the Reserve of Officers, as
from to-day's date.

16.—Command.

Lieut. A. Mackenzie takes over
command of the Scottish Company
as from to-day's date from Capt. K.
S. Morrison.

17.—Leave.

No. 46 Pte. A. Morley, Reserve
Co., from March 23rd to November
30th, 1929.

No. 817 Pte. H. A. Angus, No. 2
Platoon, from April 13th, 1929, to
February 12th, 1930.

No. 1168 Pte. E. F. Brown, No. 9
Platoon, from March 23rd to April
21st, 1929.

The following having returned
from leave the unexpired portion of
their leave is cancelled and they are
posted to No. 1 Section, Machine
Gun Company:

No. 897 Corp. J. W. Alabaster.
No. 556 Pte. J. B. Collis.
No. 1073 Pte. J. R. Hinton.

18.—Struck Off the Strength.

The Commandant records, with
deep regret, the death of No. 1332
Pte. D. J. Robson, Scottish Com-
pany on March 11th, 1929, during
the King Edward Hotel Fire Dis-
aster.

Having left the Colony:—
No. 1204 Sign. D. Bantista,
Corps Signals, as from January
1st, 1929.
No. 1 Corp. J. A. Lyon, Re-
serve Co., as from February 15th,
1929.
R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.
Hong Kong, March 15th, 1929.

NOTICE.

The Machine Gun Company Rifle
Club will hold their next meeting
at the Peak Range on Sunday,
March 24th, 1929, at 9.30 a.m. sharp.

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EXCHANGE.

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March 14th, 1929.

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Do. London \$138 nom.

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Shanghai Loans \$14 sel.

Rails \$14 buy.

Tromp Mines \$178 nom.

H.K. & W. Dock \$128 nom.

China Provident \$40 nom.

Songkwa \$188 sel.

New Engineering \$14 sel.

Shanghai Dock \$116 buy, 117 sel.

Bwo Cottons \$134 buy.

Oriental Cottons \$14 nom.

8 hai Cottons (old) \$10 nom.

Do. (new) \$10 nom.

H.K. & S. Hotel \$10 nom.

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Shanghai Land \$169 buy.

Humphreys Estate \$14 buy.

H.K. Realities \$80 nom.

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Peak Tram (old) \$13 sel.

Do. (new) \$8.80 nom.

Star Ferries \$83 nom.

China Light \$13.10 buy, 13 sel.

H.K. Electric (old) \$53 buy.

Do. (new) \$54 buy.

Macao Electric \$18 nom.

Sandakan Light \$5 nom.

Telephones \$7 buy, 7 sel.

China Buses \$11 nom.

Singapore Tractors \$11/8 nom.

Do. (Fr.) \$16 buy, 17 sel.

China Sugar \$10 sel.

Malabar Sugar \$10 buy.

Caston Ins. \$3 sel.

Cement (combined) \$9.10 nom.

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Do. (new) \$1.40 buy.

H.K. Bopes \$7 nom.

United Asbestos \$5 nom.

Dairy Farms \$20 sel.

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Der A Wings \$20 sel. buy.

Loas Crawford \$2 sel.

Knockouts \$11 nom.

Sinco \$3.65 nom.

Wm. Powell \$11 buy.

H.K. Amusement \$36 sel.

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Copenhagen 18.21

Vienna 34.53

Helsingfors 193

Lisbon 108 3/16

Bucharest 815 1/2

Buenos Aires 47 5/16

Shanghai 2/8

Yokohama 1/10 1/32

New York 4.85 15/32

Geneva 25.34

Milan 92.69

Stockholm 18.17

Oslo 18.20

Prague 22.34

Athens 275

Rio 51

Bombay 1/5 31/32

Hong Kong 1/11 1/2

Silver (spot) 26

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ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.

AMOI.

Kuingschow, B. & S., Mar. 15.
Haining, Douglas, Mar. 15.
Hupch, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Antung, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Shantung, B. & S., Mar. 19.
Haiyang, Douglas, Mar. 19.
Santhia, B.I., Mar. 21.
Tjondari, J.C.J.L., Mar. 22.
Haiching, Douglas, Mar. 22.
Tjitaroom, J.C.J.L., Mar. 23.
Anking, B. & S., Mar. 24.
Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 31.
Takada, P. & O., Apr. 10.

ANTWERP.

Padua, P. & O., Mar. 13.
Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Australien, Manners, Mar. 27.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Taipei, B. & S., Mar. 15.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
St. Albans, E. & E., Mar. 23.
Chronos, Dodwell's, Apr. 4.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 24.

BALTI PORTS.

Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 18.
Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Australien, Manners, Mar. 27.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.

BALTIMORE.

City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 18.
Nairnbank, Bank, Apr. 2.
Laomedon, Bank, Apr. 10.

BANGKOK.

Kaying, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Kuingschow, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Teau, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Kwangchow, B. & S., Mar. 24.

BOSTON.

City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 18.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Mar. 19.
Taketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.

BOMBAY.

Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Mirapore, P. & O., Apr. 1.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 11.
Nalders, P. & O., Apr. 13.

BREMEN.

Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.

BRINDISI.

Piave, Dodwell's, Mar. 23.
Viminale, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.

CALCUTTA.

Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 15.
Hosang, Jardine's, Mar. 16.
Tama, B.I., Mar. 19.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Santhia, B.I., Apr. 17.
Tilawa, B.I., Apr. 23.

CEBU.

New York, States S.S., Mar. 20.
G'den M'tain, States S.S., Mar. 21.
Texas, States S.S., Apr. 3.
G'den Dragon, States S.S., Apr. 5.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Huichow, B. & S., Mar. 31.

COLOMBO.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 16.
Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 16th.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Piave, Dodwell's, Mar. 20th.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23rd.
Mirapore, P. & O., Mar. 23rd.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 24.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 24.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 31.
Mirapore, P. & O., Apr. 1.
Viminale, Dodwell's, Apr. 2.
Glengarry, Jardine's, Apr. 3.
Leverkusan, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 6.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Porthos, M.M., Apr. 9.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 11.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.
Chenoneaux, M.M., Apr. 23.

COSENZANO.

Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.
Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Australien, Manners, Mar. 27.
City of Khartoum, Bank, Apr. 8.

DALBY.

Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 16.
Kuingschow, B. & S., Mar. 17.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
Trave, Melchers, Mar. 24.
Africa, Manners, Mar. 21.
Coblenz, Melchers, Apr. 12.

DUTCH PORTS.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 16.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.
Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Patroclus, Blue Funnel, Mar. 20th.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 24.
Australien, Manners, Mar. 27.
Ochsa, B.F., Apr. 2.
Glengarry, Jardine's, Apr. 3.
Leverkusan, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 6.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
City of Khartoum, Bank, Apr. 12.

FOOCHOW.

Haining, Douglas, Mar. 15.
Haiyang, Douglas, Mar. 19.
Huiching, Douglas, Mar. 22.

GENOA.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 16.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Keemun, Blue Funnel, Mar. 20th.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 24.
Leverkusan, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 18.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.

GLASGOW.

Keemun, Blue Funnel, Mar. 20th.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 23.
GOTHENBURG.

Java, Manners, Mar. 18.
Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.
Australien, Manners, Apr. 4.

HAIKONG AND HOLOW.

Teau, B. & S., Mar. 18.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Mar. 20.

HAMBURG.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 16.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Nippon, Gilman's, Mar. 19.
Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23rd.
Schlesien, Melchers, Mar. 23.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 24.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Mar. 24.
Malwa, P. & O., Mar. 30th.
Mirapore, P. & O., Apr. 1.
Calcha, B.F., Apr. 2.
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Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 22.
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HONOLULU.

Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Mar. 20.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 26.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Apr. 9.

HULL.

Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 16th.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Khyber, P. & O., Mar. 23rd.

LOLOLO.

New York, States S.S., Mar. 20.
G'den M'tain, States S.S., Mar. 21.
Texas, States S.S., Apr. 3.
Chronos, Dodwell's, Apr. 4.

JAPAN PORTS.

Afrika, Manners, Mar. 15.
Santhia, B.I., Mar. 15th.
Burgenland, Jebson, Mar. 18th.
Nalders, P. & O., Mar. 18.
Rosandra, Dodwell's, Mar. 16.
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 16.
Fooksang, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
Glenshiel, Jardine's, Mar. 17.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Mar. 17.
City of Delhi, Bank, Mar. 18.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Duchessa D'Aosta, D'well, Mar. 19.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Tuketo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 19.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Mar. 19.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Mar. 20.
Matsumoto Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
Santhia, P. & O., Mar. 21.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 21.
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 22.
Karmala, P. & O., Mar. 22nd.
Alipore, B.I., Mar. 23.
Hakata Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
Yuensang, Jardine's, Mar. 23.
Trave, Melchers, Mar. 24.
Labore, P. & O., Mar. 25.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 25.
Chenoneaux, M.M., Mar. 26th.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 26.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Koyei Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 27.
Esquiline, Dodwell's, Mar. 27.
Oanfa, B.F., Mar. 28.
Tilawa, B.I., Mar. 28th.
Mantua, P. & O., Mar. 29th.
Formosa, Gilman, Mar. 30.
Protetlaus, B.F., Mar. 30.
Carnavonshire, Jardine's, Apr. 1.
Takliwa, B.I., Apr. 1.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Apr. 2.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 2.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 3.
Athea II, M.M., Apr. 9.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Apr. 9.
Arafura, E. & A., Apr. 9.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., Apr. 10.
Kalyan, P. & O., Apr. 10.
Nanking, Gilman, Apr. 10.
Takada, P. & O., Apr. 10.
Jeypore, P. & O., Apr. 11.
Glengbar, Jardine's, Apr. 13.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Apr. 16.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 19.
D'Artagnan, M.M., Apr. 23.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, Apr. 23.

KANTO.

Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Keemun, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Australien, Manners, Mar. 27.
Eurypylus, B.F., Apr. 20.

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Kueichow, B. & S., Mar. 23.
Huichow, B. & S., Mar. 31.

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MANTLA.

Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Mar. 15.
Tainung, B. & S., Mar. 15th.
Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 16.
City of Dunkirk, Bank, Mar. 18.
New York, States S.S., Mar. 20.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 20.
G'den M'tain, States S.S., Mar. 21.
City of Guildford, Bank, Mar. 22.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Mar. 24.
Ermland, Jebson, Mar. 24.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, Mar. 24.
City of Khios, Bank, Mar. 23.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., Mar. 23.
St. Albans, E. & E., Mar. 23.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Mar. 30.
Texas, States S.S., Apr. 3.
G'den Dragon, States S.S., Apr. 5.
Leverkusan, Jebson, Apr. 5.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Apr. 7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Apr. 10.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Apr. 21.

MARSEILLES.

Havenstein, Jebson, Mar. 16.
Khiva, P. & O., Mar. 16th.
Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 17.
Java, Manners, Mar. 18.
Padua, P. & O., Mar. 18th.
Patroclus, B.F., Mar. 20th.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Mar. 23.
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Java, Manners, Mar. 20.
Keemun, B.F., Mar. 2

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AMOI & NEWCHANG	"HUPER"	On 17th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 17th Mar.	Noon
AMOI, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KUNGHOW"	On 17th Mar.	8 p.m.
HAIKONG, HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"TEAN"	On 18th Mar.	10 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 18th Mar.	8 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINGYUAN"	On 18th Mar.	8 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 18th Mar.	3 p.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"KIANGSU"	On 18th Mar.	10 a.m.
WENHAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUMCHOW"	On 23rd Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 24th Mar.	8 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 24th Mar.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGHOU"	On 24th Mar.	Noon
WENHAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 31st Mar.	8 a.m.

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STATION	HONG KONG	13th MARCH, 1929					14th MARCH, 1929				
		Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Clouds	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Clouds
Wladivostok	12	29.84	75.9	18	NNE	4	29.86	75.0	11	NE	2
Nemuro	11	29.81	75.0	...	E	5	29.00	73.8	...	E	1
Hokodate	...	29.81	74.3	...	ESE	3	29.13	74.0	...	NNW	7
Tokio	...	29.89	74.6	...	SW	4	29.63	75.0	...	N	1
Kochi	...	29.70	75.5	...	W	1	29.96	76.0	...	N	0
Nagasaki	...	29.80	75.9	...	NW	4	30.12	76.0	...	NNW	2
Kagoshima	...	29.84	75.8	...	NW	3	30.04	76.0	...	NNW	1
Oshima	...	29.98	76.1	...	NW	0	30.10	76.5	...	NNW	2
Naha	...	30.04	76.0	...	NNW	1	30.14	76.5	...	N	2
Ishigakijima	...	30.10	76.4	...	NNW	1	30.22	76.7	...	W	4
Bonin Island	...	30.24	76.0	...	SW	1	30.17	76.3	...	SW	1
Chefoo	12	30.29	76.3	80	100	NW	8	30.57	77.1	26	81
Shanghai	14	30.33	77.0	48	...	NNW	7	30.38	77.1	34	69
Gutzlaff	...	30.24	77.0	44	37	NNW	7	30.23	76.7	50	65
Sharp Peak	...	30.23	76.7	16	64	E	2	30.23	76.7	50	65
Amoy	...	30.08	76.0	63	72	N	0	30.21	76.7	59	88
Swatow	...	30.14	76.5	67	76	NW	2	30.25	76.8	55	60
Taihoku	11	30.17	76.2	64	67	NNW	2	30.14	76.5	55	...
Taihu	...	30.15	76.9	70	...	NNW	4	30.11	76.4	57	...
Tainan	...	30.10	76.4	73	...	N	4	30.10	76.4	53	...
Koshun	...	30.05	76.3	75	...	NW	4	30.22	76.7	59	...
Pescadores	...	30.13	76.3	66	...	N	4	30.22	76.7	59	...
Hong Kong	14	30.10	76.4	69	55	NNW	3	30.16	76.0	60	43
Gap Rock	...	30.11	76.4	68	...	NNW	3	30.16	76.0	60	43
Macao	...	30.08	76.1	66	48	NNW	2	30.14	76.5	54	88
Hoihow	...	30.10	76.4	67	62	ENE	2	30.11	76.4	66	84
Pratas Island	...	30.06	76.8	72	68	ENE	4	30.23	76.3	54	53
Phu Lien	15	30.14	76.5	89	100	N	4	30.08	76.1	66	...
Tourane	...	30.01	76.2	73	...	N	2	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.97	76.1	75	67	N	2	...	...	...	...
Apariti	...	29.91	75.9	79	80	NE	4	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.89	75.9	86	52	...	0	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.89	75.9	84	68	W	4	...	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.88	75.9	86	56	SE	4	29.93	76.0	72	88
Legaspi	...	29.87	75.8	84	77	NNE	3	29.92	75.9	75	88
Calbayog	...	29.86	75.8	81	84	N	4	...	...	...	...
Taloban	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Iloilo	...	29.84	75.7	86	68	NE	6	...	...	...	...
Cebu	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	29.82	75.7	82	87	E	4	29.86	75.8	75	...
Saipan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.80	75.6	...	NE	4	4.22	29.81	75.7	...	...
Yap	11.00	29.81	75.7	...	NNE	4	0	29.82	75.7	...	...
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.85	75.8	81	...
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.85	75.8	82	91
Labuan	14	29.81	75.7	84	91	NW	4	29.85	75.8	82	91

March 14, 11h. 15m.—The anticyclone is now central near Shanghai.

A deep depression is central over N.E. Japan.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.52 inches, against an average of 4.14 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 15th.

- 1.—Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, fresh.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamocks ... N.E. winds, moderate; overcast at first, improving later.
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock ...
4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan ...

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Mar. 14th.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Day
	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	2 p.m.
Barometer	30.10	30.16	30.14
Temperature	69	60	63
Humidity	55	43	56
Wind	...	...	...
Direction	NW	NNE	E
Force	2	2	2
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 18th: 70

Lowest open-air Temperature, 14th: 58

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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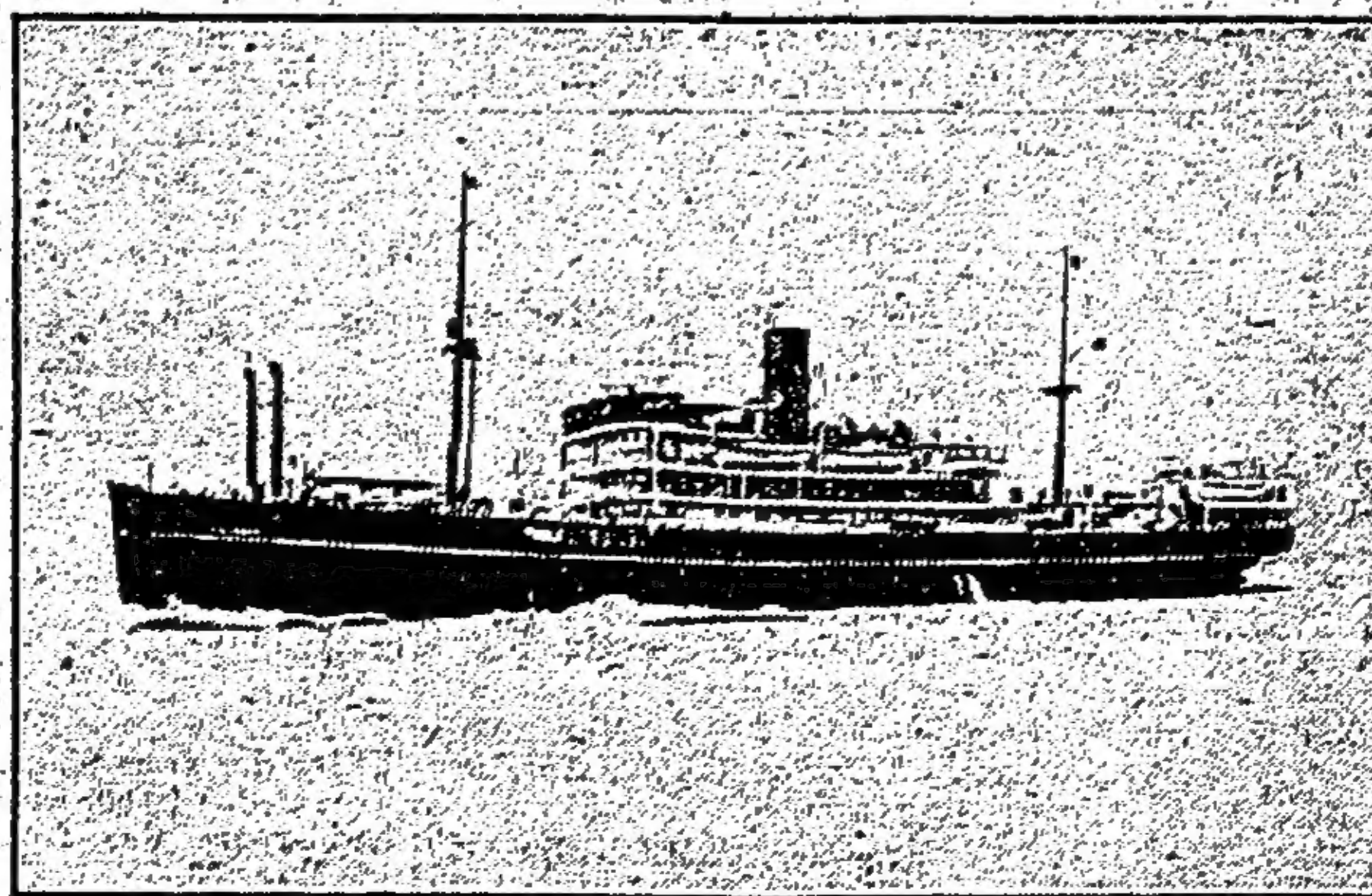
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SANDAKAN	"HINSANG" "MAUSANG"	Sun., 17th Mar., at 10 a.m. Fri., 8th Apr., at 3 p.m.
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STEAMERS	Hong Kong Leave	Shanghai Leave	Kobe Leave	Yokohama Leave	Vancouver Arrive
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 10	Mar. 13	Mar. 16	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPERESS OF ASIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 19	May 28
EMPERESS OF ASIA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 9	June 18
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 11	June 14	June 17	June 19	June 28
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 1	July 4	July 7	July 9	July 18
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 19	July 28
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	Aug. 7	Aug. 9	Aug. 18
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 11	Aug. 14	Aug. 17	Aug. 19	Aug. 28
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 1	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 9	Sept. 18
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HAKOZAKI MARU ... Saturday, 23rd Mar.

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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Mar.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Mar.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

SADO MARU ... Sunday, 17th Mar.

TOTTOBI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Mar.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,

Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

RAKUYO MARU ... Friday, 19th Apr.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape

Town & Ports.

KANAGAWA MARU ... Friday, 5th Apr.

NEW YORK via PANAMA.

TAKETOYO MARU ... Sunday, 17th Mar.

MAYEASHI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Mar.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Genoa & Marseilles.

LYONS MARU ... Sunday, 17th Mar.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

MORIOKA MARU ... Friday, 15th Mar.

NAGTAO MARU ... Friday, 29th Mar.

SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA.

TOKUSHIMA MARU (omit S'hai) ... Saturday, 16th Mar.

KANO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Mar.

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 22,400 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO
21,796 TONS.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday the general returns shown at the Harbour Office of cargo carried by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

Cargo for Through

H.K. Ports.

British 310 1,031

Yat Shing, Taingtao

Hydrangeas, Swatow 142

Hui Ning, Foochow 380

Nagapore, London 970 3,400

Kiungchow, Bangkok 1,150 110

Kingyuan, Singapore 2,460

German 5,612 4,561

Taifun, Hamburg 287 3,700

Kathe, Canton 287 3,850

French 199 4,663

Albert Sarraut, Saigon 2,827

Norwegian 2,796 4,663

Escondido, Bangkok 2,100

Imatso, Bangkok 2,100

Botnia, Bangkok 2,000

Dutch 6,500

Oldkirk, Bremen 733 8,730

Japanese 733 8,730

Canton Maru, Keelung 930

Hokkai Maru, Calcutta 5,922

Chinese 6,852

Lee Cheung, Shanmei 10

Shui Hing, Macao 20

Total 22,440 21,796

Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

Arr. Dep.

British 6 2

American 1 0

German 2 0

French 2 2

Norwegian 3 0

Dutch 1 4

Japanese 2 1

Chinese 2 3

Total 19 12

CLEARANCES.

March 14th.

Amazon Maru, for Singapore.

Borneo, for Saigon.

Chifuku Maru, for Shanghai.

Chip Shing, for Tientsin.

Dorry, for Hainan.

Hydrangeas, for Swatow.

Kathe, for Newchwang.

Kinkiang, for Canton.

Lushan Maru, for Swatow.

Meriones, for Shanghai.

Menado Maru, for Hainan.

Morioke Maru, for Singapore.

Oldekerk, for Shanghai.

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DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

PROSPERINE ROCKS.

TO BE REMOVED BY BLASTING.

The following notification to Mariners relative to the removal of the Prosperine Rocks is posted at the Harbour Office.

"The removal of these rocks will be commenced on Saturday, March 16th. During this operation two divers will be employed and the site marked by a large red flag. Blast- ing will take place at noon and 5 p.m. daily. Mariners are warned that it is dangerous to approach within 100 yards of the rocks whilst blasting is in progress and are here- by prohibited from approaching within this distance from the red flag, under a penalty of \$100."

A New British Arrival.

Arriving here from Antwerp, the s.s. Rio Diamante (British) paid her first visit to this port. The vessel is owned by the Thomson Steam Shipping Company, Ltd., and Messrs. Dodwell & Company are the local agents. The vessel left Antwerp on January 29th with 1,877 tons of iron and glassware for this port. She also carries 534 tons for Yokohama, 2,810 tons for Kobe and 2,700 tons for Dairen. She will leave Hong Kong on Saturday or Sunday for the Northern ports. The local agents have informed our representative that the vessel is being followed by her sister ship the s.s. Rio Dorado which is due to arrive about the end of the month. The vessel is comparatively new, having been built in 1923 by Messrs. W. Gray & Company, Limited of West Hartlepool. Her net tonnage is 2,815 tons, and gross 4,641 tons. The dimensions of the vessel are Length 400 ft., Beam 56 ft., and Depth 24.9 ft. Captain Richard Hocken is in command with a crew of 43. The vessel is berthed at the Kowloon Wharves.

Buried At Sea.

The s.s. Kiungchow (British), which arrived here yesterday from Bangkok and Hoibow, reports the death of an Asiatic deck passenger during the voyage. The deceased was buried at sea.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The following vessels, brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

Hydrangeas (British) Swatow 191

Hui Ning (British) Foochow 637

Nagapore (British) London 10

Kiungchow (British) Bang- 171

kok and Hoibow

Kingyuan (British) Singa- 14

pore and Bangkok

Portos (French) Marseilles 45

and Saigon

Escondido (Norwegian) 12

Bangkok

Canton Maru (Japanese) 17

Keelung and Swatow

Lee Cheung (Chinese) Shan- 96

mei

Total 1,193

Salviken, for Saigon.

Song Bo, for Haiphong.

Sui Yang, for Canton.

Sumatra Maru, for Port Wallut.

Sylvan Arrow, for San Pedro.

Taifun, for Shanghai.

Valcanus, for Swatow.

Yat Shing, for Canton.

Yunnan, for Swatow.

ARRIVALS.

March 13th.

Hokkai Maru, Japanese str., 2,742

tons, Capt. S. Oki, from Cal-

cutta, buoy No. 25—Y.K.K.

Kiungchow, British str., 1,845 tons,

Capt. R. T. Stephens, from

Bangkok, buoy No. B9—B. & S.

Rio Diamante, British str., 4,641

tons, Capt. R. Hochen, R.N.R.,

from Antwerp, Kowloon Wharf.

—Dodwell & Co.

March 14th.

Benmaedhai, British str., 4,197 tons,

Capt. J. R. Bothwell, from

Singapore, buoy No. B58—

Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Botnia, Norwegian str., 840 tons,

Capt. A. Hasland, from Bang-

kok, buoy No. C19—Wallem &

Co.

Chifuku Maru, Japanese str., 5,842

tons, Capt. M. Miumi, from

Singapore, buoy No. A6—

O.S.K.

Chip Shing, British str., 1,199 tons,

Capt. S. Mitford, from Can-

ton, buoy No. C33—Jardine,

Matheson & Co.

Dorry, German str., 873 tons, Capt.

J. Jacobsen, from Macao, West

Point—Chau Yue Teng.

Hermond, Norwegian str., 840 tons,

Capt. J. Paulson, from Bang-

kok, buoy No. C41—Thoresen &

Co.

Hydrangeas, British str., 561 tons,

Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow

Chi On Wharf—Chi On S.S.

Co.

Kathe, German str., 806 tons, Capt.

H. Frandsen, from Canton,

buoy No. C43—Kwong Mow

Tai.

Kaying, British str., 1,572 tons,

Capt. F. A. Lovgrove, from

Swatow, buoy No. B34—B. &

S.

Kingyuan, British str., 1,546 tons,

Capt. D. Martin, from Bang-

kok, buoy No. B13—B. & S.

Kronviken, Norwegian str., 1,619

tons, Capt. T. Evansen, from

Saigon, buoy No. C44—Fau

Yuen Hong.

Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507

tons, Capt. R. Kagayama, from

Canton, buoy No. C39—N.Y.K.

Mexiones, British str., 4,810 tons,

Capt. T. W. Hanney, from

Swatow, via Liverpool and

Singapore, Kolt's Wharf—B. &

S.

Morioke Maru, Japanese str., 3,096

tons, Capt. S. Yokoyama, from

Moji, Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.

Oldekerk, Dutch str., 4,567 tons,

Capt. J. Leijes, from Manila,

Stonecutters—J.C.J.L.

Suiyang, British str., 1,594 tons,

Capt. L. Jenkins, from Swatow,

buoy No. B12—B. & S.

Tai Lee, Chinese str., 1,044 tons,

Capt. F. Masaki, from Swatow,

buoy No. C25—Yei Tai Hong.

Tony Norwegian str., 1,388 tons,

Capt. J. Engelsen, from Bang-

kok, buoy No. B48—K. Larsen

& Co.

Yat Shing, British str., 1,424 tons,

Capt. P. Jowitt, from Taingtao,

via Shanghai and Swatow, West

Point Wharf—Jardine, Mathe-

son & Co.

Yunnan, British str., 1,506 tons,

Capt. T. Beer, from Canton,

buoy No. B11—B. & S.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"KHYA"	9,135	16th Mar.	Noon
"KHYBER"	9,114	23rd Mar.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"PADUA"	5,307	25th Mar.	Marsa, L'don, Awerp, R'm, &
"MALWA"	10,980	30th Mar.	Marseilles & London, Hamburg
"MIRZAPORE"	6,716	1st Apr.	Strait, Colombo & Bombay
"KALAMALA"	10,083	1st Apr.	Marseilles & London
"MANTUA"	10,948	20th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London

